



# ARAB TIMES

NO. 7394

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1988

RABI UL AWWAL 22, 1409 AH

18 PAGES 150 FILLS

## Palestinian targets in Lebanon bombed

# Israelis vote against backdrop of violence

SIDON, Nov 1, (Agencies): Israeli planes bombed Palestinian targets in Lebanon and a petrol bomb wounded Jewish motorists in Jerusalem today as Israelis voted in a general election that may affect the future of the Arab-Israeli conflict.

The jets bombed and rocketed guerrilla bases in Miye Mihay refugee camp and the Qrayeh and Jinsnaya areas east of the southern port of Sidon, 40 km (27 miles) south of Beirut.

Four US-made F-14 planes hit an ammunition dump and three bases of PLO chairman Yasser Arafat's mainstream Fatah group, security sources reported.

### Flattened

A base of the Syrian-backed Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine and four houses were also flattened.

Three other Israeli jets then attacked a DFLP guerrilla camp and one used by Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General-Command (PFLP-GC) in the Aramoun hills south of Beirut.

Four people were killed and 10 wounded near Sidon, hospital and Palestinian sources said. No casualty toll was available for Aramoun, controlled by a Syrian-backed leftist Druze militia.

The planes struck as Israeli voters were choosing between the possibility of a new government headed by Yitzhak Shamir.

of the right-wing Likud Bloc and Shimon Peres of the leftist Labour Party.

In Arab East Jerusalem, police said Palestinian assailants today threw a petrol bomb attack on a bus in the Israeli-occupied West Bank which killed an Israeli woman and her three children on Monday.

Bombs dropped during the 20-minute raid gouged deep craters in the olive groves around Miye Mihay camp. Dozens of panic-stricken Palestinians fled their corrugated iron shacks and sought refuge in open fields.

Palestinian fighters manning anti-aircraft guns and carrying rifles later prevented journalists approaching the ruined camps in case of explosions by time-delayed bombs.

The key issue in the campaign was the future of the occupied territories and how to deal with the uprising.

By 8 pm (1800 GMT), two hours before polls closed, 75 per cent of registered voters had cast ballots, nearly six per cent more than in the last general election in 1984.

### TV predicts tie

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, Nov 1 (AP): Israel television tonight forecast a tie in Israel's parliament elections between Shimon Peres left-of-center Labour Party and Yitzhak Shamir's right-wing Likud Bloc.

However, the poll indicated the Likud would be able to form a government with small religious and right wing parties.

"The timing was very appropriate," said one Palestinian guerrilla. "This is a farewell gift from Shamir."

Kamal said Palestinian fighters would respond by stepping up attempts to attack military targets inside Israel. "We warn the Israeli military command that we will respond in an appropriate way to their attack," he said.

Hours after the raids, Palestinian

peasants and their families greeted her yesterday at more than 15 stops en route from the southern port city of Karachi to Lahore.

The crowds cheered wildly and surged forward when Benazir appeared from the train. Many waved the flag of her Pakistan People's Party or wore items of clothing with its red, black and green colours, and chanted "prime minister Benazir, prime minister Benazir."

The platforms were bedecked with large portraits of Benazir and banners bearing the PPP's symbol — arrow. Supporters at a number of points also blocked

the train, which was already delayed eight hours.

At one town on the way to Lahore, Benazir told a cheering crowd that landless peasants would be given government land if the PPP came to power.

"On Nov 16, the victims of 11 years of exploitation will cast their votes against cruelty," she said.

Benazir said today she saw no hitch to taking power if her PPP wins elections.

She told reporters she believed the present caretaker administration had plans to rig the elections but the Army was committed to free and fair polls.

## Thousands cheer Benazir

LAHORE, Nov 1, (UPI): Opposition leader Benazir Bhutto today resumed her whistle-stop election campaign tour that has attracted hundreds of thousands of enthusiastic supporters across the country.

The 35-year-old daughter of hanged Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto left the northeastern city of Lahore at 8:45 am aboard a special train on the second stage of her 16-day tour to campaign for the Nov 16 elections, the first polls since 1977 in which political parties are allowed to participate.

Thousands gathered along the 160-mile (270-km) route at railway stations where Benazir is scheduled to stop and make speeches.

The crowds cheered wildly and surged forward when Benazir appeared from the train. Many waved the flag of her Pakistan People's Party or wore items of clothing with its red, black and green colours, and chanted "prime minister Benazir, prime minister Benazir."

The platforms were bedecked with large portraits of Benazir and banners bearing the PPP's symbol — arrow. Supporters at a number of points also blocked

the train, which was already delayed eight hours.

At one town on the way to Lahore, Benazir told a cheering crowd that landless peasants would be given government land if the PPP came to power.

"On Nov 16, the victims of 11 years of exploitation will cast their votes against cruelty," she said.

Benazir said today she saw no hitch to taking power if her PPP wins elections.

She told reporters she believed the present caretaker administration had plans to rig the elections but the Army was committed to free and fair polls.

## Saudi Arabia to replace expats with nationals

BAHRAIN, Nov 1, (Reuters): Saudi Arabia unveiled the outline of a five-year development plan which aims to replace foreign workers with Saudis, but diplomats said today the goal appeared hard to meet.

They said the government would not find it easy to reduce the expatriate workforce. "There will be no decrease in the number of foreigners without a deterioration in services," said one Western diplomat.

He said the full plan would be issued in six to eight months' time and it would take effect in August at the beginning of the Islamic year 1410.

The last development plan wasn't followed too closely," he said. "Before, the country was working on building its infrastructure. We now have the time to sit back and shape the economy."

(Continued on Page 2)

## ARAB TIMES

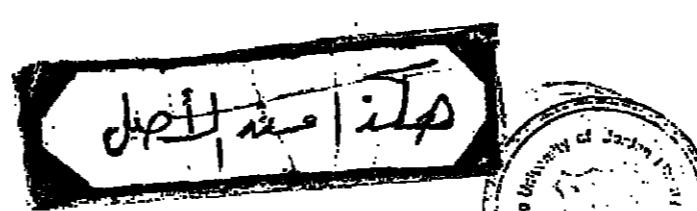
### Grand Bingo

KD 250 must be won

COUPON for Game No. 67 appears on page 7. Last date for sending entries is Nov 10 and numbers will be drawn from Nov 12.

## WEATHER

CLOUDY weather with moderate south-easterly wind may freshen at times. State of sea: moderate to rough. High water: 4:00 am, 7.00 pm. Low water: 11:00 am, 12:00 pm. Sunrise: 6:02 am. Sunset: 5:01 pm. Maximum temperature recorded: Kuwait: 20°C/64°F. Al-Azdi: 24°C/74°F. Sulayman: 29°C/82°F. Minimum temperature recorded: Kuwait: 20°C/64°F. Al-Azdi: 22°C/72°F. Falakia: 23°C/73°F. Maximum temperature expected: Kuwait: 31°C/88°F. Al-Azdi: 29°C/84°F. Falakia: 28°C/82°F. Maximum humidity recorded: Kuwait: 49 per cent. Al-Azdi: 54 per cent. Falakia: 56 per cent. Maximum humidity expected: Kuwait: 50 per cent. Al-Azdi: 54 per cent. Falakia: 66 per cent.



**BEHBEHANI SWISS WATCHES**  
Keep in Time with BEHBEHANI Quartz Watches Slim and Elegant  
**YACOUB BEHBEHANI**  
Agents in Kuwait & Middle East Souq Al Watanah Showroom Tel. 2422580 Salat Al-Safat Showroom Tel. 2421131 Behbehani Complex — Al-Sharq Showroom Tel. 2403854



A Palestinian refugee leaves Miye-Miye camp near Sidon after Israeli air raids. (Reuters wirephoto)

## Kuwaiti plan to clear Gulf of mines approved

KUWAIT, Nov 1, (Reuters): Eight Gulf states, overcoming political differences between Iran and Iraq, approved today a Kuwaiti plan to clear the Gulf of mines, wrecks and pollution left by their eight-year-old war.

Kuwaiti Planning Minister Dr Abdul Rahman Al Awadi said they agreed that the executive council of the Regional Organisation for Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME) should carry out the plan.

"We have agreed to entrust the executive council to implement what Kuwait has proposed concerning clearing of the marine region," Awadi told reporters after emergency ROPME ministerial talks which began yesterday.

"Caused

Kuwait proposed a joint survey of territorial and international waters to determine the extent of hazards to shipping and the marine environment caused by the Iran-Iraq war.

It suggested that a committee should report back to the member states — Bahrain, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi

Arabia and the United Arab Emirates — on how best to clear the waterway.

US naval experts say up to 200 mines may still be in the Gulf despite more than a year of coordinated minesweeping by six Western nations. Most of them are believed to be in or near Iranian and Iraqi waters in the northern Gulf.

One delegate said the talks hit a potential snag when Iraq tried to include "rivers" in the scope of the proposed survey, a clear reference to the disputed Shatt Al-Arab waterway on its border with Iran.

Baghdad's demand that the Shatt must be cleared immediately of war debris, and Tehran's insistence the issue should be postponed, have obstructed UN-sponsored peace talks which resumed between Iran and Iraq in Geneva yesterday.

Awadi, ROPME's acting secretary, said the Shatt Al Arab, which flows into the northern Gulf, was outside the organisation's jurisdiction.

"Our talks concern what is in the Kuwait agreement. We can't go outside the agreement," he said in reference to a 1978 pact between the ROPME states to protect the marine environment.

Iraq's delegate, Mohammed Ali Abdoli, said there had been no major problems with Iraq. The two states worked well together in ROPME throughout the war.

As if ROPME would ask for outside minesweeping help, Awadi said that whereas territorial waters were the responsibility of member states, international organisations and foreign countries should help in international waters.

"It is the duty of international organisations to offer their support for clearing and removing obstacles," he said. "As for foreign countries, the international community has a responsibility to clear international waters."

Abdoli, Deputy Director of Iran's Environment Department, said Tehran had opposed an appeal to foreign governments unless absolutely necessary. "We think the region is able to solve its problems by itself," he said.

## Progress made on POW exchange

By Fathima Ahmed

WASHINGTON, Nov 1, (Reuters): UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar today reported progress on a prisoner exchange agreement in talks to end the eight-year Iran-Iraq war and said he hoped for a further advance this week.

"I think if I could iron out the difficulties ... we can move rapidly to the exchange of prisoners. On the exchange of prisoners I have been able to start some movement which has been very encouraging," he said on NBC television.

Perez de Cuellar gave no details of the progress. He was interviewed from Geneva after Iran and Iraq renewed direct talks for the first time since Oct. 1.

### Obstacles

Perez de Cuellar said he hoped to remove all obstacles to an Iran-Iraq ceasefire agreement before he had to leave Geneva at the end of this week, but added that was only a hope.

"Unfortunately, I would mislead you if I said I am sure that I will solve the problem before I leave," he said.

Perez de Cuellar repeated an earlier statement that the Iran-Iraq ceasefire was fragile but said he had assurances from both sides that they intended to maintain it.

In Geneva Iran and Iraq agreed today to step up the pace of their UN-sponsored peace talks, acknowledging what UN Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar termed a "sense of urgency."

In the first face-to-face meeting since early last month, the two foreign ministers accepted Perez de Cuellar's proposal that all future sessions in the peace talks would be held jointly.

Burleigh, who left for Doha, Qatar, yesterday as part of a Gulf tour, said that despite minor violations reported by the UN, the US is "hopeful that the ceasefire will remain and neither side will choose to violate or break it for any reason."

**Interests**

He said regional stability was of "critical importance" and it is in "America's interests to make sure that the ceasefire turns into a permanent peace arrangement."

In recent weeks, the US has been reducing its naval presence in the Gulf, the latest was the withdrawal of one of two floating bases from the northern Gulf, giving rise to speculation that major cutbacks are in the offing.

Burleigh said the US intends to scale down its naval force in the Gulf, but the process will be gradual and there are no plans for a "major reduction in the foreseeable future."

He reiterated his country's policy of "reviewing naval deployment" in the light of regional developments. He said the future size of US deployment in the Gulf depends on the progress made in the Gulf peace talks.

Burleigh denied media reports



about direct US talks with Iran and stressed that normalisation of ties with that country could take place only if Iran makes "a policy change and ends, once and for all, its support for terrorism and uses its influence for the release of all hostages held in Lebanon."

"These are the steps which Iran has to take before (there is) any scope for substantial improvement in relations," he said.

The US Congress imposed sanctions on Iraq due to Baghdad's alleged use of chemical weapons, causing a rift between the two countries.

Burleigh, who visited Baghdad before coming to Kuwait, said his meetings with Iraqi officials were "good, and we value our relationship with

(Continued on Page 2)

## DAY BY DAY

SOME expatriates may have to travel outside Kuwait just a few months before the expiry of their residences.

Sometimes, while abroad for compelling reasons, such as personal illness, illness of immediate family members or other conditions, the expatriate arrives a week, 10 days or a month later than planned.

Then, the person is prohibited from entering Kuwait because the validity of the residence permit has expired.

When these expatriates try to explain the cause of their delay, they are confronted with the directives issued to Airport Passport officers:

"Any expatriate arriving with an expired visa should be refused entry into Kuwait."

These cases of expatriates should be treated with some flexibility.

Some of these expatriates may have been staying in Kuwait for a very long time and thus should not be banned entry because of reasons beyond their control.

We would appreciate it if the authorities could issue instructions that such cases be treated with flexibility.

Zahed Matar

## US frigate withdrawn

MANAMA, Bahrain, Nov 1, (AP): The United States today withdrew its first warship since the Gulf war ceasefire.

The departure of the missile frigate USS Rodney M. Davis, about two months ahead of schedule, reduces the US fleet from 26 to 25 ships, including 15 in the Gulf itself.

The routes on which buses will travel at this hour are Salmiya, Fahheel, Hassawi, Hawalli, Farwaniya, Kheitan, Jahra and Abqaiq (route numbers 11, 12, 14, 15, 21, 22, 23, 29, 102 and 103). The buses will run in one direction from the central bus depot at Murgab, the sources said.

KPTC operated these buses up to 11 pm in October on an experimental basis and concluded that there is no need to run buses after 10:30 pm.

Previously, KPTC had been running buses till 11 pm. The schedule was changed immediately after the attempt on the life of HH the Amir.

## INTERNATIONAL

ARAB TIMES, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1988

**Court extends stay of execution of Indira assassins**

NEW DELHI, Nov 1. (Reuters): India's Supreme Court today extended a stay of execution on two Sikhs sentenced to death over the assassination of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in 1984.

The ruling came the day after the fourth anniversary of the death of Indira, who was shot by two of her Sikh bodyguards after she ordered the Army storming of the Golden Temple in Amritsar, Sikhdom's holiest shrine.

Other guards killed one of the assassins, Beant Singh, on the spot. Fellow-assassin Satwant Singh was also shot but survived and now faces the gallows with conspirator Kehar Singh.

**Signed**

Black warrants ordering the execution to be carried out at New Delhi's maximum-security Tihar jail were signed by a judge on Sept 12.

Bui Satwant's lawyer successfully sought a stay of execution arguing that his client should not hang while a magistrate's court case remained pending against the bodyguards who shot him and Beant Singh.

Lawyers for Kehar Singh, who was accused of masterminding the assassination, have also appealed for clemency to President Ramaswamy Venkataranam.

The Press Trust of India news agency said the Supreme Court would reconsider its postponement of the hanging on Nov 7.

**Union Carbide**

NEW DELHI, Nov 1. (Reuters): The Union Carbide Corporation began its Supreme Court appeal today against interim compensation for victims of the world's worst industrial accident.

Lawyer Fali Nariman, challenging the \$270 million compensation order, said it failed to take account of the possible liability of central and local government over the 1984 Bhopal gas disaster.

The Swire Group

**Polls show 10-point lead for Republican****Dukakis increases attacks on Bush**

WASHINGTON, Nov 1. (Reuters): Democrat Michael Dukakis, increasing his attacks on George Bush, said today his Republican rival for the presidency was distorting facts and sidestepping major issues facing the country.

With the Nov 8 election looming closer, and many opinion polls showing Bush with a 10-point lead, Dukakis bought five minutes of network television time to level the charges.

"Our opponents prefer it that way," he said. "They are running for the highest office in the land by waging the lowest level campaign in modern history."

He said: "They are engaged in a scorched earth policy against the truth — on concerns ranging from crime to the environment to national defence."

The Dukakis statement came as one poll showed Bush with enough probable electoral votes to win convincingly.

Bush, in an interview with the Washington Post published

today, denied his strategy had been excessively negative compared with previous elections.

"Suddenly, I'm the guy that's the attack dog," he said. "I mean I don't accept that at all. Same old guy I used to be."

"I don't accept it in terms of past campaigns," Bush said. "Go back to the Goldwater campaign and the mushroom cloud."

In 1964, Democrat Lyndon Johnson defeated Republican Barry Goldwater after his campaign used a television commercial showing a little girl picking flowers who suddenly was the victim of a cloud from a nuclear blast.

**Reflects**

The commercial implied that Goldwater would be more likely to lead the country into war.

Dukakis's attack reflects the latest fight-to-the-finish strategy of the underdog Democrat who in recent days has adopted a more confrontation approach in hopes of swaying undecided voters.

**3 bomb blasts kill 21 in India**

AMRITSAR, Nov 1. (AP): Three powerful bombs exploded in northern India today, killing at least 21 people and injuring 64, according to police and news reports.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the blasts.

Two bombs exploded in the town of Pathankot in Punjab state, killing at least 10 people and wounding 30 others, said senior police Superintendent P.M. Dass.

Dass said the death toll was expected to rise. At least 12 of the injured were reported in critical condition, he said.

In the neighbouring state of Jammu-Kashmir, a bomb planted in a state-owned bus exploded, killing at least 11 passengers and injuring 34, news reports said.

The victims were Sikhs and Hindus.

Bush, on the other hand, appears to have a new confidence on the campaign trail, which aides attribute to private polling that shows Dukakis has failed to cut into the vice-president's lead.

Bush yesterday taunted Dukakis's recently found pride in his liberal roots — a label the Democrat had tried to avoid only last week.

"There should be a debate. Dukakis versus Dukakis ... the new left versus the old left," said Bush of his opponent's declaration that he is a liberal in the tradition of former Presidents Franklin Roosevelt, Harry Truman and John Kennedy.

"Dukakis versus Dukakis — it could be very interesting," Bush told supporters in Louisville, Kentucky.

Conservatives have turned the word "liberal" into a label associated with big government, high taxation and candidates who are weak on defence, soft on crime and outside society's mainstream.

It would then produce 40 per cent of the parts and within five years the proportion of Egyptian components would rise to 75 per cent.

"The first tank assembled in Egypt will go into military service next year," Abu Ghazala said.

"Standing up improves reaction time, particularly for the elderly and relatively unfit individuals and for everyone working on difficult tasks," Dr Max Vercruyssen said today.

Vercruyssen, assistant professor of human factors at the University of Southern California, said his experiments showed a person could process information five to 20 per cent faster when standing than when sitting down.

The research, which focused on tasks requiring rapid decision-making, supports the theory that standing up stimulates brain centres associated with reaction time, Vercruyssen said.

Pentagon officials also said Egypt would not receive the super-hard armour being used on the latest model Abrams.

Egypt, the only Arab state

pledged to peace with Israel, switched from the Soviet Union

**Carlucci signs deal with Egypt on joint tank production**

CAIRO, Nov 1. (Reuters): Egypt and the United States agreed formally today to produce jointly the main US battle tank, the M1A1 Abrams, in Egypt with most parts eventually being made in Egyptian arms plants.

It is the best tank in the world," US Defence Secretary Frank Carlucci told reporters after signing the deal with Egyptian Defence Minister Field Marshal Abdel Halim Abu Ghazala.

Egypt, a leading recipient of US aid and one of Washington's main Arab partners, will buy or co-produce up to 555 of the tanks under contract from General Dynamics Corp.

Abu Ghazala, who described the agreement as "a gigantic step" for Egypt's military industry, said Egypt would first assemble tanks from kits at a \$250 million factory being built near Cairo.

Rise

Though the US-Egyptian military trade balance is heavily in Washington's favour, Abu Ghazala said the United States was going to buy an Egyptian air defence radar system, the TPS-



US Defence Secretary Frank Carlucci (left) and Egyptian Defence Minister Field Marshal Abdel Halim Abu Ghazala walk down the stairs at the Defence Ministry in Cairo after the two men signed a protocol for the co-production of the US tank M1 A1. (Reuters wirephoto)

to the United States as its main arms supplier 15 years ago.

The United States raised Egypt last March to the same status as Israel and Washington's NATO allies for access to US defence equipment contracts.

**Balance**

Though the US-Egyptian military trade balance is heavily in Washington's favour, Abu Ghazala said the United States was going to buy an Egyptian air defence radar system, the TPS-

63, under a \$40 million accord.

The two countries also planned joint production of Dragon 3 anti-tank missiles, rocket ships, minesweepers and submarines. Abu Ghazala said, without giving further details.

He also said Egypt would this week receive the first of an order of US pilotless reconnaissance drone aircraft.

Carlucci discussed the Middle East and military ties for an hour with President Mubarak before seeing Abu Ghazala.

**Ceasefire will hold, hopes US official**

(Continued from Page 1)

Iraq. But he remained firm about dissuading countries from using chemical weapons.

Expressing concern for Gulf shipping, Burleigh said the US Navy has been involved in mine-clearing operations. He underscored the urgency of clearing mines from Gulf waters and said the US is willing to join regional and European naval efforts.

"We will continue to help (in mine-clearing), but it is a problem requiring the co-operation of several states in the region," he said.

**Efforts**

Reaffirming his country's commitment to peace in the Middle East, Burleigh said the US will continue to "move that process forward."

He said he anticipates renewed efforts to resolve the Arab-Israeli issue after the Nov 8 US presidential elections.

He admitted that the Palestinian uprising (intifada) has had an impact on American public opinion.

"The American public has become more knowledgeable and concerned about the situation," he said, adding that this certainly has an impact on government policy.

He said US-Kuwaiti ties have never been better. "We hope to keep it that way," he added.

**Saudi Arabia to replace expats with nationals**

(Continued from Page 1)

Diplomats said that, despite a commitment in the last plan to reduce foreign workers by 600,000, the total number appeared to have risen by as much as 200,000 in the last five years to between three and 3.5 million.

**Measures**

But many higher-paid Westerners were replaced by workers from the Third World as government and company budgets were squeezed by falling oil revenues.

The outline, carried by the official Saudi Press Agency, made no mention of measures that might be taken, but said the private sector would be encouraged to employ Saudis.

The Saudi Cabinet also agreed on measures to "support and strengthen defence and the continued development of self-power of our defence."

Saudi Arabia has purchased more than \$20 billion worth of arms in the past few months in a move to modernise its Army.

It bought an undisclosed number of medium-range missiles from China and has ordered 50 Tornado fighters from Britain in addition to a previous order of 132 British aircraft.

The king has said that Riyadh is eager to build a reserve force of up to 500,000 well-trained men. Saudi Arabia's Army is currently estimated at 73,500 men.

**White rhinos**

NAIROBI, Nov 1. (Reuters): Poachers have killed the only remaining five white rhinoceros at Kenya's Meru national park wildlife officials said today.

A spokesman for Kenya's anti-poaching unit said rangers were still pursuing the poachers who slaughtered the rhinos on Sunday night.

**Angelis freed**

CALGIARI, Sardinia, Nov 1. (Reuters): Kidnappers freed Italian property tycoon Giulio de Angelis yesterday, more than four months after his abduction from a luxury villa on Sardinia's Costa Smeralda, police said.

**THE NEW MARCO POLO BUSINESS CLASS****BUILT TO HELP THE CORPORATE BODY ARRIVE IN BETTER SHAPE**

From November, Cathay Pacific are introducing the finest business class in the skies.

The New Marco Polo Business Class.

It's a completely new environment, tested before launch by a group of leading business executives.

The seats are wider. One seat has been removed from each row. On long haul flights, there's the additional comfort of leg-and foot-rests. And a new, business-like atmosphere where executives can work. Or rest. Or dine. In absolute comfort.

But there's one thing we haven't changed.

Our gracious, attentive and charmingly oriental service.

Cathay Pacific gratefully acknowledges the participation of all the executives involved in testing the New Marco Polo Business Class.

Arrive in better shape  
**CATHAY PACIFIC**

**REQUIRED TECHNICAL ASSISTANT**  
having experience in an advertising agency.**SCOPE OF WORK**

- Co-ordination between the agency and technical suppliers.
- Must have a knowledge of copywriting, art design and production of finished advertisement.
- Candidate must speak and write English and Arabic fluently. Knowledge of French is an asset.

For appointment, please call 2455801.

**VACANCY****IN A LEADING PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY**

EXISTS FOR YOUNG, EXPERIENCED AND ENERGETIC SALES REPRESENTATIVE FOR MEDICAL PRODUCTS SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE WILL COVER KUWAIT AND ARABIAN GULF MARKETS (EXCLUDING SAUDI ARABIA)

**APPLICANTS SHOULD FULFIL THE FOLLOWING:**

- HAVE MEDICAL, NURSING OR OTHER SUITABLE QUALIFICATION
- SPEAK FLUENT ENGLISH, KNOWLEDGE OF SPOKEN ARABIC AN ADVANTAGE
- HAVE TRANSFERABLE RESIDENCE AND VALID KUWAIT DRIVING LICENSE

APPLICATION AND CURRICULUM VITAE SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BEFORE NOVEMBER 15 1988 TO:

**CONVATEC OFFICE**  
P.O.BOX 435,  
13005 SAFAT  
KUWAIT

Dept 1010

Johne's tips

## INTERNATIONAL

Nawaz Sharif uneasy over Benazir's popularity

# 'Bhutto era was a nightmare'

LAHORE, Nov 1, (Reuter): The prospect of another Bhutto governing Pakistan makes Nawaz Sharif uneasy.

The political foe of opposition leader Benazir Bhutto proclaimed his warning in Lahore this week, only hours before Benazir herself arrived for an election speech to a rapturous welcome from ardent crowds.

For Nawaz Sharif, campaigning for general elections on Nov 16, the five and a half year rule of Benazir's executed father Zulfikar Ali Bhutto was something of a nightmare.

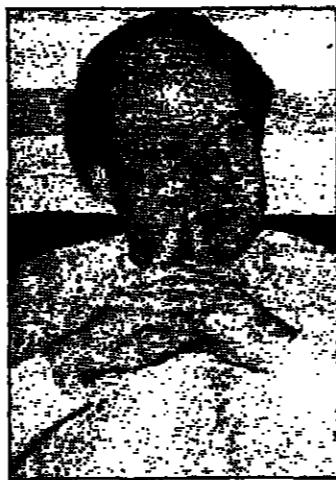
It meant suppression of political opponents, a state of emergency, queues at cooking oil shops, torture of students and workers and police baton charges, he told a few thousand supporters in the Punjab province capital.

Nawaz Sharif, the powerful Punjab Chief Minister, denounced the leaders of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) as traitors.

**Witness**

The populist Zulfikar Ali Bhutto governed from 1971 to 1977, when he was toppled in a military coup by General Mohammad Zia-ul-Haq. His daughter Benazir has made her father's legacy the key to her electoral appeal.

Nawaz Sharif sees things differently. "We are all witness to



Nawaz Sharif

what they have been doing during their regime, the entire nation knows it and we will expose them," he said in a recent interview, accusing PPP leaders of corruption, election rigging and bringing economic ruin.

Though holding no top office in the anti-PPP Islamic Democratic Alliance (IDA), Nawaz Sharif is widely seen as one of Benazir's principle rivals in the polls.

Like his mentor Zia, Sharif, the personable scion of a Kashmiri family of industrialists likes to play the reluctant ruler.

"I sometimes feel I've gone

into the wrong profession, the price that I'm paying for being in politics," he said.

"There is no peace of mind, we have to work all day, many nights I don't sleep, I don't see my children for days on end. There are 24 hours in a day, but I work 36."

"I've never been able to answer the question why I'm in politics."

Few Pakistanis have risen to high office as early as this 38-year-old Lahore lawyer.

**Career**

At 31 he was Finance Minister of Punjab, the most populous province with 54 million people. Four years later he became its chief minister, a post of great power and responsibility.

Now he has his sights on becoming Prime Minister of this Muslim nation of 104 million people. His fellow IDA leaders, former prime minister Mohammad Khan Junejo and ex-Bhutto aide Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi, are also in the running.

He acknowledges his debt to Zia, under whose 11-year rule he rose to prominence. Zia was killed in a plane crash on Aug 17.

"Myself and my colleagues are considered to be his team members," he said. "We all believe he was a true Pakistani, who did quite a lot for this country, for the uplift of the poor."



Imelda Marcos, surrounded by FBI agents, enters federal court in New York. (Reuter wirephoto)

## Judge sets \$5m bail for Imelda

NEW YORK, Nov 1, (Reuter): Imelda Marcos, who once spent a fortune on jewels, dresses, furs and shoes, has until Thursday to come up with \$5 million bail after pleading innocent to fraud and racketeering charges here.

But her lawyers say that will be hard because all the possessions she and her husband Ferdinand own around the world are tied up in lawsuits except for a home owned by a daughter — and that is pledged to pay attorney fees.

In setting the deadline, federal court judge John Keenan did not indicate whether failure to come up with the money would mean he would jail the former Philippine First Lady or simply set a lower bail figure.

**Jewels**

Mrs Marcos pleaded not guilty to the charges against her on Monday when she made a 90-minute court appearance. She seemed to start spectators by wearing a turquoise Filipino gown with puffy butterfly sleeves. The gown is called "terno" in the Philippines and is usually worn at parties and state occasions.

The woman once known for collecting hundreds of pairs of

shoes wore simple black pumps. The only jewels she had on were a large pair of pearl earrings.

Her eyes welled with tears as she sat unsmiling during the court proceedings, her hands resting on a white handkerchief.

Afterwards she was finger-printed and photographed like a common criminal.

She and her husband are charged with looting the Philippines Treasury of \$103 million and then defrauding US banks of \$163 million.

Ferdinand Marcos, who ruled the Philippines for 20 years until being ousted in 1986, was examined by a government lawyer at his exile home in Hawaii on Monday to determine whether he was physically fit to stand trial.

When Imelda Marcos was led out of New York's federal courthouse, she had to pass by hundreds of bystanders who screamed obscenities at her as she descended the more than 40 steps to a waiting limousine.

People shouted "thief" and "bitch" as she left. A homeless man shouted "I want my shoes" and a Filipino woman screamed: "stealer".

## Beijing reviews population forecast

BEIJING, Nov 1, (Reuter): China said today it expected to have 70 million more people than planned in the year 2000 and accused family-planning workers of forgery and incompetence in drawing up statistics.

Family Planning Minister Peng Peiyun said the 1980s highly publicised goal of keeping population to 1.2 billion at the end of the century "probably did not reflect realistic picture of our population situation," the China Daily reported.

The newspaper quoted her as saying surveys suggested 1.27 billion was more likely. The figure is roughly equivalent to adding the population of West Germany, 61 million in 1985, to the earlier estimate.

Western population experts have considered the 1.2 billion target over-optimistic for several years but Chinese officials until now insisted it was feasible if tough birth rules were properly enforced.

**Attacked**

The People's Daily earlier attacked widespread forgery and sloppiness by regional family-planning officials, who are often paid cash bonuses for reaching birth control targets.

"Whatever targets the higher authorities fix for an area, these officials simply report that it has been reached," the paper said. "Another tactics is to misreport local conditions to obtain high target figures."

Family-planning workers then invent birth rates, numbers of marriages and death rates to fit, it said. "Honest statisticians who try and report the real situation have even been attacked by local cadres," it added.

## Australian bid to catch drug traders

MELBOURNE, Nov 1, (AP): Australia's federal police will send officers to Cyprus and Argentina as part of a campaign to catch international drug traffickers, a law enforcement official announced today.

The decision follows a major drug bust on Oct 21 that resulted in 22 arrests in Australia and Hong Kong, and the largest heroin seizure — 43.5 kilograms (95 pounds) — made in this country.

Police spokesman Philip Castle said Cyprus was a good venue to keep a watch on the Middle East drug trade.

He said war-torn Lebanon, the world's biggest producer of cannabis resin, was the main target of interest. He said that by early next year an officer would be stationed in Buenos Aires to report on the Latin American drug trade.

"We have become aware that the United States is oversupplied with (South American) cocaine and that the entrepreneurs are looking to extend their markets," he said.

Colombia is considered the centre of the South American trade, but Castle said the risk to undercover agents was too high, following the killings of US officers.

He told a news conference that federal police also are considering expanding their presence in Thailand, which is part of the notorious "Golden Triangle."

## US accuses Soviet Union of bombing Afghan targets

WASHINGTON, Nov 1, (Reuter): The United States has accused the Soviet Union of unleashing cross-border bombing attacks within the last 48 hours in an area of Afghanistan where US-backed rebels are advancing.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman said the attacks involved the use of warplanes based in the Soviet Union, including backfire bombers, against targets in the southern Kandahar region.

Such actions contradict Soviet promises "not to conduct offensive operations except in defence of their own forces," he said.

Redman also said that within the past week Moscow had sent its ally, the Kabul government,

draw their troops from Afghanistan under a UN-mediated accord reached last April in Geneva. The deadline for the withdrawal is Feb 15.

Washington said when the accords were signed it would continue to finance the Afghan rebels as long as Moscow subsidised Kabul.

Though Washington still expects the Soviets to meet the deadline, US Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar told the French daily Le Figaro that Moscow and Kabul were showing signs of nervousness on the agreement.

Redman said he could provide no other details about the Soviet bombing except that it occurred within the past 24 to 48 hours.

The Soviets agreed to withdraw

### Ban rock music, India urged

NEW DELHI, Nov 1, (Reuter): Western rock music produces drug-like effects on listeners, encourages nihilistic and suicidal tendencies and should be banned from India, according to a prominent academic.

The United News of India quoted philosophy Professor Martin Kobia as telling a drug seminar in the western city of Pune that banning rock music

in India would help halt spread of drugs.

"When you have such good Indian music, why do you need rock music from the West. Better ban it, if possible," the agency quoted Kobia as saying.

Kobia asserted that the rhythm and volume of rock music produced chemicals in the brain similar to drugs as evidence of its bad effects, UNI said.

### Amnesty reports human rights abuses

## Turkey accused of torture

LONDON, Nov 1, (Reuter): Amnesty International has accused Turkey of brutal and systematic human rights abuses and said political prisoners were in grave danger of being tortured.

The London-based human rights group said more than a quarter of a million people had been arrested on political grounds in Turkey since a military coup in 1980 and most had been tortured.

"Although Turkey returned to civilian rule some five years ago, the government has failed to ensure that human rights are protected," Amnesty said in a report.

"Although in recent years

fewer people have been detained

than in the years immediately after the coup, Amnesty International believes that any person who is detained on political grounds is in great danger of being tortured."

An official at Turkey's London embassy acknowledged that cases of torture had occurred, but said opponents of the government had exaggerated the scale of the abuses.

"There are certain circles which want to come up with stumbling blocks to Turkey becoming a member of the European Economic Community and bettering relationships with other European forums," he said.

The official said the government sent 612 police officers and

prison guards for trial up to and including the first half of 1987 in connection with human right abuses.

"There is a clear-cut intention on the part of the government to wipe this menace out," he said.

Amnesty said there were cases of young men and women being tortured in front of each other and parents in front of their children. In one case, three members of banned political group were forced to hold hands and undergo electric shock torture.

"Common forms of torture reported include systematic beatings of the soles of the feet with truncheons" hanging by the wrists, and deprivation of food, drink and sleep," Amnesty said.

He said war-torn Lebanon, the world's biggest producer of cannabis resin, was the main target of interest. He said that by early next year an officer would be stationed in Buenos Aires to report on the Latin American drug trade.

"We have become aware that the United States is oversupplied with (South American) cocaine and that the entrepreneurs are looking to extend their markets," he said.

Colombia is considered the centre of the South American trade, but Castle said the risk to undercover agents was too high, following the killings of US officers.

He told a news conference that federal police also are considering expanding their presence in Thailand, which is part of the notorious "Golden Triangle."

The official said about 100 members of the Janatha Vimuktami Peramuna (JVP) — or Peoples Liberation Front — staged the raid at dawn on the national auxiliary force at Pannala, 55 kms northwest of Colombo.

The attackers, wearing military fatigues and armed with guns and knives, fought with security forces for two hours before escaping with a large quantity of arms, the official said.

He said four security personnel, four JVP members and a civilian employee of the camp were killed in the battle. The fleeing extremists also shot dead a truck driver several miles from the camp.

The camp is one of five facilities opened by President Junius Jayewardene to impart speedy military training to the national auxiliary force, a

paramilitary group organised to help the government battle the JVP.

The JVP is composed of ultra-nationalists from the island's majority Buddhist Sinhalese ethnic group who have been waging a campaign of assassinations and protests to topple Jayewardene.

The extremists are enraged at Jayewardene for signing with India a July 1987 pact to end the war between his Sinhalese-controlled government and rebels demanding independence for Sri Lanka's mostly Hindu Tamil minority.

The accord granted limited autonomy for the Tamil-dominated northeast to satisfy rebel demands for independence, but the move was viewed by the JVP as tantamount to partition of the island.

The group also believes Jayewardene compromised national sovereignty when he agreed to withdraw its troops to enforce the accord.

The government says some 500 public officials and members of the ruling United National Party have been killed by the JVP since the Indo-Sri Lankan accord was signed.

## US overtures to ease tension with North Korea

WASHINGTON, Nov 1, (Reuter): The United States yesterday announced conciliatory gestures towards North Korea intended to support South Korea's initiative to reduce tensions on the divided Asian peninsula.

State Department spokesman Charles Redman said the overtures included permission for US diplomats to renew substantive contacts with North Korean counterparts and a relaxation of travel restrictions between the two countries.

Also, the United States will allow limited North Korean purchases of humanitarian supplies to be determined by the Commerce Department and expected to include food and medicines. At present only US donations of humanitarian items, not sales, are permitted.

Troop reduction

Washington, which does not have diplomatic relations with Pyongyang, will not remove North Korea from its list of "terrorist states" or lift decades-old economic sanctions that have brought trade between the two countries to a virtual halt, Redman said.

Washington, which does not have diplomatic relations with Pyongyang, will not remove North Korea from its list of "terrorist states" or lift decades-old economic sanctions that have brought trade between the two countries to a virtual halt, Redman said.

Washington, which does not have diplomatic relations with Pyongyang, will not remove North Korea from its list of "terrorist states" or lift decades-old economic sanctions that have brought trade between the two countries to a virtual halt, Redman said.

## Sinhalese attack Army camp, 12 dead

COLOMBO, Nov 1, (UPI):

Sinhalese extremists clad in Army fatigues today attacked a military training camp near Colombo and fought a two-hour gunbattle with security personnel in which at least 12 people died, a Defence Ministry official said.

The official said about 100 members of the Janatha Vimuktami Peramuna (JVP) — or Peoples Liberation Front — staged the raid at dawn on the national auxiliary force at Pannala, 55 kms northwest of Colombo.

The attackers, wearing military fatigues and armed with guns and knives, fought with security forces for two hours before escaping with a large quantity of arms, the official said.

He said four security personnel, four JVP members and a civilian employee of the camp were killed in the battle. The fleeing extremists also shot dead a truck driver several miles from the camp.

The camp is one of five facilities opened by President Junius Jayewardene to impart speedy military training to the national auxiliary force, a

**Save & Win**

**CROWN**  
By Frigidaire

**REFRIGERATOR CRF175**  
(17 C.F.T.) Quiet operation/Non-frost reversible door/spacious storage room.  
KD 170/-

**CBF REFRIGERATOR CRFT205**  
(21 C.F.T.) Non-frost/Interior light/large space compartments.  
KD 18

## Sheikh Saad allocates funds to fight locusts

HH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, Sheikh Saad Al Abdali, deeply concerned with the recent invasion of locusts in north Kuwait has allocated a special budget for combatting the menace, according to an authoritative source.

The chairman of the board and director general of the Public Authority for Agriculture Affairs and Fish Resources, (AAFRA) Sheikh Ibrahim Duaij Al Sabah said that the clusters of locusts which invaded farmlands in Abdali were those that survived anti-locust campaigns in Saudi Arabia.

### Measures

Small numbers of locusts were spotted in Wafra and eradication measures were immediately taken, he said.

Some locusts have been seen in areas like Bayan, Qadisiyah, Surrah, Riggah and Jahra.

The official added that contacts have been made with the Iraqi authorities to co-ordinate efforts on a regional level to eradicate this serious hazard.

Thick swarms crossed from Africa to the Arabian peninsula two weeks ago in what has been described as the worst locust invasion in 25 years.

The swarms have reached beyond the peninsula, with Iraq reporting Monday that locusts had invaded its southern city of Basra.

A report on the state-run television said six separate clouds of crop-devouring insects were in the city, but the ministry was using helicopters to bring the situation under control.

Saudi Arabian authorities claim the situation is under con-

trol and that the swarms have not penetrated deep into the kingdom to affect its agricultural areas.

Clouds of locusts also swarmed into Iran's Bushehr Port, the Iranian news agency IRNA reported on Tuesday.

IRNA, citing reports by the Iranian Agriculture Ministry officials in Bushehr, said planes were prepared to begin spraying operations.

An Agriculture Ministry official overseeing anti-locust operations said more swarms will likely invade Iran if the situation on the Arab side of the Gulf is left unchecked.

Preparatory measures adopted in Kuwait are envisaged to bring the situation under control. Additionally 14 special squads were put on alert in Abdali, Sheikh Ibrahim said.

The official said that AAFRA had received a number of

proposals from international agencies to contribute special aircraft to fight the locusts. None of the proposals have been entertained as the measures adopted are sufficient to cope with the situation.

Additionally, the expertise of the Kuwaiti Air Force could play an active part should the need arise, he added.

Combating teams were being supported by technical, physical and monitoring specialists from the Ministry of Public Health (MOH).

### Involvement

The MOH has warned the public against eating locusts, as the spraying operations conducted involve the usage of pesticides which are harmful to humans.

Authorities have called on the public to immediately report any sightings of locusts to the nearest authorities.



Locust-fighting teams prepare their trucks for action.



Some of the locusts killed in Kuwaiti territory.

## Boston firm making 32 boats for Saudis

ROCKLAND, Massachusetts, Nov 1. (AP): The Boston Whaler Company in its first commercial order from a foreign nation, is making 32 fibreglass power boats equipped with gun mounts for machineguns in a \$2.7 million contract with Saudi Arabia.

Two of the \$80,000 boats will be powered by King Fahd and the others by the Saudi Arabian Coast Guard. Andrew T. Longo, vice-president of Boston Whaler's commercial products division, said the order had to be approved by the State Department.

### Agreement

"They were looking for a fast-response patrol boat for coastal security," he told the Boston Globe. "I think it's a great feather in our cap. For the size of the order, there were surprisingly few difficulties."

The agreement was reached in July, and the first two boats were delivered on Sunday. They are

equipped with radar, mounts for .50 calibre and 7.62 mm machineguns, a siren and a public address system.

"All they have to do is put in the gas and go," Longo said.

The Coast Guard boats will be powered by 225-horsepower outboard motors, the company said. King Fahd's boats will be outfitted with 600-horsepower motors.

The only touches of luxury on the six-passenger boats for the king are bigger seats and thicker cushions, Boston Whaler said. They will be used to ferry him from his yacht to shore.

Boston Whaler has been making boats for 30 years, most of them pleasure craft, but just completed a \$5 million order for 122 boats for the US Marine Corps.

Longo said the US naval base in Puerto Rico has received two boats identical to the ones for Saudi Arabia.



Austrian Vice Chancellor and Foreign Minister Dr Alois Mock yesterday accompanied Kuwait's Minister of Electricity and Water Dr Hamoud Al Rqobah, during a visit to Kuwait's first reverse osmosis water desalination station.

## Two Irishmen plead innocent in kidnap case

DUBAI, Nov 1. (Reuters): Two Irishmen charged with the attempted kidnap of a five-year-old girl from her father in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) have pleaded not guilty, court officials said today.

The Khor Fakkan Criminal Court, in the north of the country, staged the first hearing yesterday.

Police arrested Gerard Flynn, 25, and Dennis Denehy, 28, on Sept 4 after they took Nadine, the daughter of Jordanian Dr Sameer Nassir, from his house.

Police said the Irishmen intended to take the girl back to her mother in Dublin.

Anne McManus, a nurse and former wife of Nassir, is being tried in her absence for complicity in the attempted kidnap.

At the hearing, the defence challenged Nassir to produce the documentary evidence which he said he had from a Jordanian court giving him custody of the little girl.

The defence also said the father had not sent money to maintain his daughter while she was living in Ireland.

Nassir told the hearing the two men did not hurt him or his current wife but had warned him not to resist because they were stronger.

The court ordered Nassir to produce the custody documents and evidence of maintenance at the next hearing scheduled for Monday, the officials said.

## Phone bills can be paid at banks

BEGINNING Tuesday telephone bills could be paid to any local bank, according to an official source at the Ministry of Communications.

This service is part of the ministry's endeavours to collect outstanding telephone fees and reduce the accumulation of bills, the source added.

## Man sentenced on liquor charge

THE Criminal Court sentenced a man to one year in jail with hard labour, a fine of KD5,000 and a custom fine of KD852 for possession of a large quantity of liquor.

The court acquitted another man charged with trading in liquor, but fined him KD500 for smuggling liquor into the country for his personal use.

The court was told that police seized 145 bottles of whiskey from the home of the first defendant.

## NOW AVAILABLE

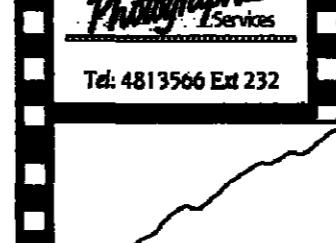
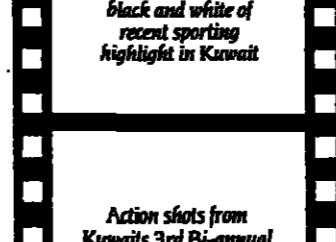
Photographic prints in colour or black and white of recent sporting highlight in Kuwait

Action shots from Kuwait's 3rd Bi-annual Offshore Powerboat Race.

Order now for your favourite photograph from:

PROFESSIONAL  
Photographic Services

Tel: 4813566 Ext 232



**URGENTLY REQUIRED  
A Female Secretary**

Please in Arabic & English for a reputed company

Applicants must have at least 3 years' experience and be able to read, write, and type in Arabic and English. Knowledge of wordprocessing is an advantage.

Please call on 2411891, 2412254, 07:00 to 15:00 for appointment

**WANTED**

1. Electro-mechanical technician
  2. Female office assistant
  3. Light vehicle driver
- Call: 2407686,  
2407687.

**MEDICINE**

## An impossible dream comes true

By Earleen Fischer

NEW DELHI, India (AP): In less than 20 years, Naresh Trehan became one of the top heart surgeons in New York City, with an income of \$5.1 million a year, a Manhattan apartment, a beach-front house and two cars in the garage.

He wanted to return to India with his wife and two children. But during exploratory trips back home, he found no place where he was willing to work.

So he set out to fulfill a new dream: a world-class heart hospital in India equipped with state-of-the-art computers and staffed with Indians who had set career goals their country could not accommodate.

His dream became a reality when the 170-bed Escorts Heart Institute and Research Centre opened in New Delhi last month.

"It's like climbing a new mountain," the 42-year-old Trehan said. "It's a passion for me to come back and train others."

In New York, Trehan performed heart bypass operations and heart transplants. He was director of cardiovascular surgery at the Manhattan Veterans Administration Hospital, and he remains an associate professor of surgery at New York University.

Some years at least 10 per cent of his patients were fellow Indians. Trehan reasoned that wealthy Indians who go abroad for heart surgery would pay comparable prices for the same quality of treatment at home—while saving the cost of air fare and the hassle of travel.

Their fees would help offset free or subsidized treatment for others.

Trehan enlisted the wealthy Nanda industrial family to help bankroll the new hospital, whose start-up cost was budgeted at \$20 million and, according to Trehan, will probably rise. The name Escort comes from the group of companies owned by the Nandas.

News of the project spread by word of mouth among Indian doctors working in the United States and Western

Europe.

"I was always thinking that we could do it here," said Dr Sunil Sharma, who quit a job at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, D.C., to become the Escorts Centre's chief bacteriologist and infection control officer.

Sharma, 33, declined to disclose his past or present salary, but he said he now earns about one-tenth of what he made in Washington.

The main attraction, he said, was the chance to live and work among his own people.

"The standard of living is so high abroad, but we are more emotionally attached to our patients here," Sharma said. "In the States, everybody is afraid of malpractice (suits), but here we treat from the core of our hearts."

Of the 30 doctors now on staff at Escorts, 12 have returned from abroad.

There were more mundane problems to deal with in establishing the new heart centre.

"This hospital is going to be 100 per cent fly-proof," Trehan declared as he strode across the polished-stone lobby to the front door where a powerful down draft of air from the ceiling thwarts entry of flies and mosquitoes.

Flies seem to be a standard part of hospital life in India, along with families who camp in the courtyards and hallways, cook meals and try to keep track of a noisy assortment of half-naked children.

At J.P. Narain Hospital, one of New Delhi's largest, it is possible to walk off the street and wander through corridors and wards without being questioned. People lie on the floors, and barefoot women in tattered sarees flail the hallways with twig brooms that stir up dust without sweeping it away.

At the Escorts Centre, security guards have been employed to check visitors for passes.

"We are training our staff to a totally different level," Trehan said. "And for the first time, we have introduced a housekeeping service similar to that in hotels."

**VACANCY**

A reputable audit firm is seeking an experienced candidate to fill a vacancy of audit semi senior. Persons with audit experience only need apply to P.O. Box: 22351 Safat 13084 KT.

**ABSCONDING**

The above person Myrna C. Semana, Philippine national, has left her employer without permission. It is illegal to give her shelter and anyone finding her should inform the nearest police station.



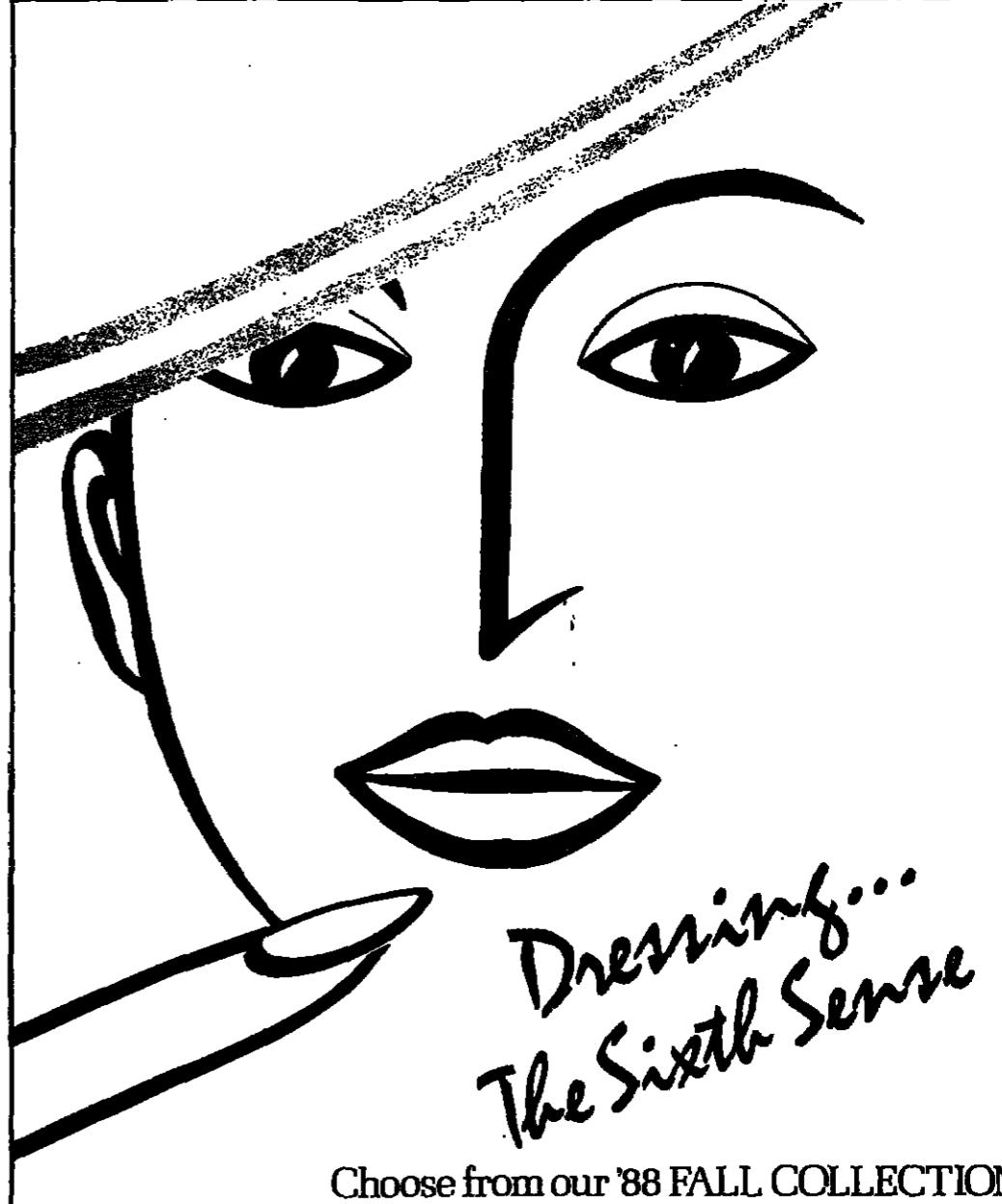
Choose from our '88 FALL COLLECTION

More than 55 years of tradition in quality and service



**Jashanmal & Partners Ltd.**

Kuwait: Fahed Al Salem St. Tel: 2432420, 2420071/72  
Salmiya: Salem Al Mubarak St., 5721865  
Ahmadi: Al Gharably Store, Tel: 3981929  
Farwaniya: 6th Ring Road, Next to Safeway



Choose from our '88 FALL COLLECTION

More than 55 years of tradition in quality and service



**Jashanmal & Partners Ltd.**

Kuwait: Fahed Al Salem St. Tel: 2432420, 2420071/72  
Salmiya: Salem Al Mubarak St., 5721865  
Ahmadi: Al Gharably Store, Tel: 3981929  
Farwaniya: 6th Ring Road, Next to Safeway

## OPENING TODAY



## AL JAZIRA TRADING COMPANY

*has the pleasure to announce the opening of the new*

### AUTO SPARE PARTS DIVISION

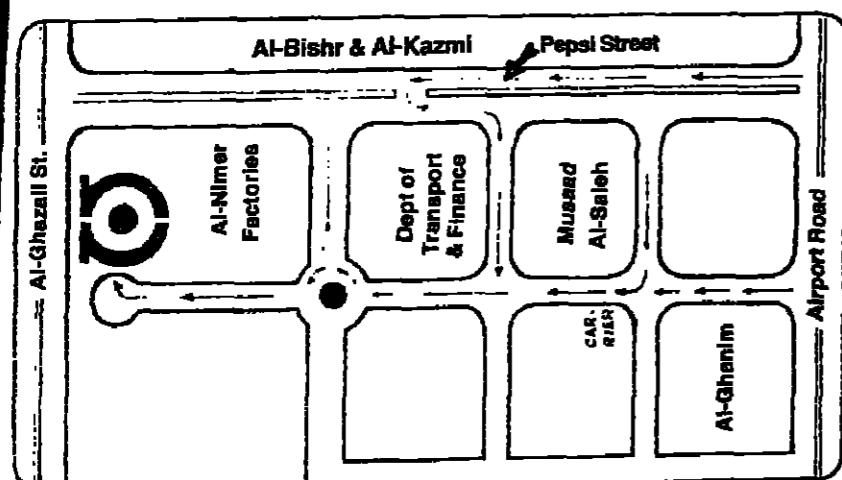
(M/S ABDUL MOHSEN AL ASFOUR & JASBIR SINGH CHADHA)

On this occasion we cordially invite you to a Tea Party at our showroom in Shuwaikh on Wednesday 2nd Nov. 1988 from 6.30 pm onwards.

*THE INAUGURATION ceremonies  
will be held under the auspices of*

**H.E. N.N. JHA,**

*Ambassador of India in Kuwait,  
at 7.30 pm.*



Tel: 4839151-4839152-4838644-4845832-4812660-4812668

Telex: 30375 JAZIRA KT. P.O. Box 265 Safat, 13003 Kuwait.



**BRIDGESTONE**

We Specialize in Spare Parts for:



## EDITORIALS

## ARAB TIMES

## Thought for today

WAR IS A CONTAGION — Franklin Delano Roosevelt, US president (1882-1945).

## Battle for Afghan cities will be hard

By Earleen Fisher

HERAT, Afghanistan. (AP): As sunlight leaves the mud-brick ruins and bombed-out houses in this provincial capital each day, the gunfire begins.

Herat, with a population of 106,000 people, is one of the cities the government considers "safe" — because Soviet troops are still present and the government professes it will be able to defend the city even after the Soviets are scheduled to leave this winter.

But facts seem to contradict the government's claim.

The guerrillas are about 19 to 21 kms (12 to 13 miles) outside the city, according to Juma Mohammad, provincial commander of the Sarandoy, a paramilitary armoured force whose troops are considered more loyal and better trained than the Afghan Army's rank and file.

But the outgoing fire at night in Herat seems aimed at an enemy much closer.

Most of the fire sounds no larger than .50-calibre — with a range of about 2.5 kms (one and one-half miles).

Firing

The mortars, used by Sarandoy troops encircled in Herat's 14th century citadel, show signs of recent firing and have a maximum range of about eight kms (five miles).

In the Afghan capital of Kabul diplomats from a variety of non-Soviet bloc nations predict Herat, the country's third-largest city, will fall quickly to the mujahedeen after Soviet troops pull out. The Soviet government has pledged to withdraw the last of its forces by Feb 15, 1989, in accordance with a UN-mediated agreement.

But Soviet troops left the second largest Afghan city, Kandahar, this past summer, and the mujahedeen have failed to dislodge the garrison of government troops.

"For many months, the mujahedeen have fired 100 rockets a day, 100 rockets a night at Kandahar, but the town has not yet collapsed," said a Western diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity. "Kabul (the capital) will be the same way," he groups.

## Prospects for peace bleak in Lebanon

By John Fullerton

BEIRUT, (Reuters): The threat of Lebanon being formally divided into sectarian mini-states has receded, but some diplomats say long-term prospects for peace remain bleak.

Lebanon's Christians and Muslims are like a married couple, grown weary of each other but still living in the same house for the sake of convenience, according to one diplomat.

And Lebanon is in danger of getting used to separation, if not proper divorce.

"People realize that partition isn't viable," said a Western diplomat.

"But the longer the stalemate continues, the less chance there is of electing a new president."

Syria says it wants to avoid a military confrontation with the country's rightwing Christian leaders.

For their part, the Christians say they will not open a new round of civil war.

Obsolete

All the major parties seem to agree that the religious power-sharing system established in 1943 and favouring the Christian Maronite majority is obsolete.

But no-one appears able or willing to compromise by taking the initiative in setting negotiations bridging the ideological and religious barriers to find a new formula, diplomats say.

Lebanon has passed through 13 years of civil war, but over the last two months it has teetered for the first time on the edge of constitutional chaos.

The Lebanese parliament twice failed to vote in a successor to outgoing President Amin Gemayel.

At the last moment, Gemayel appointed Army commander General Michel Aoun as head of an *interim Christian administration*, rivalling the Muslim-led caretaker cabinet in west Beirut.

Aoun and militia chief Samir Geagea, his partner in the anti-Syrian coalition, insist Lebanon's problems can be sorted out

Immobility

Immobility has been reinforced by events elsewhere — American policy is on hold until after the US presidential election.

In the meantime, both Syria's allies and their Christian foes are building up their respective paramilitary forces.

Geagea's Lebanese Forces militia has received substantial armour and artillery from Iraq.

In turn, there have been reports that the mainstream Shi'ite Amal Movement has been resupplied with arms from Syria.

The Iranian-backed Hezbollah is reported to be strengthening its presence in south Lebanon, while diplomats say guerrillas loyal to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat have received new shipments of arms from Iraq and North Yemen.

One diplomat said the Lebanese were adept at chanting to differing circumstances.

# Electoral college members have last say

By Michael Gelb

WASHINGTON, (Reuters): America's next president will be formally selected by 538 obscure individuals more than a month after the rest of the nation votes.

As many as 100 million Americans will cast their ballots on Nov. 8, ending a costly marathon in which the first entrant announced his candidacy more than two years earlier.

Tallied

But that exercise of democracy is subject to final approval by the electoral college, an arcane device set up by America's founding fathers in the 18th century to keep the choice of the president in the hands of the country's elite.

As a consequence voters on Nov. 8 will actually elect slates of college members pledged to either Democrat Michael Dukakis or Republican George Bush.

The college electors, in turn, cast their presidential ballots in their state capitals on Dec 19 and

the votes are tallied in the presence of the House and Senate in the first week of January.

Electoral votes are allotted to the states in rough proportion to population. Each state has the same number of electors as members of Congress.

As a rule, the winner of the popular vote in a state wins all of that state's electors whether the popular vote margin is one or one thousand.

Winning the election requires a majority of the 538 electoral votes and California, with 47 electors, is the biggest prize. Six states and Washington, DC have just three electoral votes.

**Concentrate**

It is theoretically possible to win the 270 necessary electoral votes by winning just the 12 largest states and that means the presidential candidates generally concentrate their efforts in a number of large states.

A shift of about 5,000 votes in Illinois and about 24,000 votes in Texas that year would have switched enough electoral votes to

put Nixon in the White House while keeping the popular vote slightly in Kennedy's favour.

The Kennedy-Nixon race also illustrated the potential for mischief by the electors, when 15 electors voted for conservative Virginia Senator Harry F. Byrd.

Mischief

Mississippi voters chose an unpledged slate of electors, who cast their eight votes for Byrd. Six electors in Alabama, which voted heavily for Kennedy, and one elector in Oklahoma, which backed Nixon, also opted for Byrd.

Such deviations are rare. No elector has gone against the voters wishes since the 1976 matchup between Republican President Gerald Ford and Democrat Jimmy Carter.

That year, a Republican elector in Washington state jumped the gun by four years and voted for Ronald Reagan.

Four years earlier, a Republican elector from Virginia turned his back on Richard Nixon and voted for libertarian candidate John Hospers.

But evidence is increasing that whoever wins this ballot, Bush or Democratic candidate Michael Dukakis, may have to govern an electorate soured and turned off by the campaign itself.

For the immediate short term Bush has good reason to be optimistic in the waning days of the campaign.

He leads Dukakis in every major public opinion poll by margins ranging from eight to 13 percentage points. By every yardstick he seems poised for a big win.

# Life will be difficult for next US president

president.

"It weakens his political power and his capacity to influence voters and Congress," Moore said of the campaign's nasty edge. "There will be a lot of leftover bitterness and we may have a very short honeymoon."

Bush has alternated promises of a "kind, gentle nation," with political eye-gouging that has defeated Democratic rival Dukakis to begging for a discussion of the issues.

He has raised doubts about Dukakis's patriotism and depicted him as an ultra-liberal who coddles criminals.

The Democrat, who says he did not enter public life "to cut up the other guy," also says he erred by failing to fling back the mud sooner and has accused Bush of digging and racism.

Exasperated voters say they are fed up and many confess they will go to the polls to vote against the man they like least rather than for someone they admire.

An NBC-Wall Street Journal poll released last week said more than 60 per cent of voters wish there were other choices besides Bush and Dukakis. More than half felt both were conducting "negative" campaigns.

**Optimism**

Reflecting the buoyant optimism that now pervades his entourage, campaign manager Lee Atwater said: "I think the vice-president is a happy warrior and in big races I have always found the candidate that seems to be enjoying himself in the stretch is the candidate who wins."

But the same polls that show Bush well out front indicate there may be a piper to pay in the form of disgruntled citizens who say they have little regard for either candidate.

Political and government experts say the nasty, negative tone of the campaign and the failure of either Bush or Dukakis to spell out a clear plan for the future will make it harder for either to govern.

The potential for government stalemate seems greater for Bush, who would almost certainly be faced with a Congress controlled by the opposition party. The Democrats now enjoy a 255-177 majority in the House and a 54-46 lead in the Senate.

Raymond Moore, a presidential historian at the University of South Carolina, said the campaign had been "absolutely scrupulous" and its shadiness may have eroded the goodwill that usually is extended to a new president.

"Bush is likely to win without any sense of what he stands for and with polls consistently showing 50-60 per cent of the voters are unhappy with the campaign. That's a horrible legacy to day," Phillips said.

Conservative columnist George Will wrote that "the real winner is already clear: Congress. It will fill the vacuum created by the election of whichever of these guys gets preferred because he is not the other guy."

Particularly damning, government experts say, has been the failure of either candidate to spell out plans for reducing the federal budget deficit, although each man says eliminating it is a top priority.

"There can be no dialogue here," Prague Communist Party chief Miroslav Stepan told Thursday's official rally.

# Prague charts conservative course

By Alison Smale

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, (AP): Unimpressed with sweeping reforms in the Soviet Union or increasing demands for change at home, Czechoslovakia's communist leaders are holding firm to conservative policies pursued since 1968, when Warsaw Pact tanks crushed the "Prague Spring" reforms.

The tough police reaction to a mass protest in Prague on Friday and an earlier demonstration in August signalled the authorities will not tolerate public expressions of a popular desire for more freedom.

For the thousands of peaceful protesters, the knowledge that two mass rallies have taken place for the first time in 19 years could strengthen their resolve in demanding a more democratic society.

Escamilla, 34, had been arrested by the national police and held for several days last year on suspicion of affiliation with the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front.

Eli Ruiz, a journalism professor, worries about the effect of the activism on the school's academic level.

"The effort to keep classes from politicising is constant," said Ruiz. He said he tries to teach according to "scientific" criteria.

**Conflict**

"But because of the context of conflict, that is very difficult," he said.

Argueta said, "we cannot think in terms of academic level for our own sake." He said doctors graduated from the medical school had enjoyed success in North America and Europe, a testament to their training.

The Sept 13 march ended in a melee of tear gas and flailing nightsticks as 300 riot police dispersed the demonstrators. The driver of a police tank truck was killed, allegedly by fire from one of the marchers.

Some 250 people were arrested. Fourteen were charged with subversive affiliation, but all were eventually released for lack of evidence.

Argueta expressed concern that security forces frustrated at seeing those they consider subversives released by the courts could resort to "disappearances" and killings to quell student fervour.

"The expressions of the centre and the right are minority expressions. Realising they are in the minority, they don't want to get into an open confrontation of ideas," he said.

The police action and detention of at least 85 dissidents in one of the biggest pre-emptive crackdowns nationwide in years stood in stark contrast last week to Soviet policy as presented by West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Kohl reported that Gorbachev agreed to free all Soviet political prisoners by the end of the year.

Other Western nations greeted that announcement with skepticism.

# TODAY IN HISTORY

1483 — Duke of Buckingham is executed.

1687 — Mohammed IV is deposed in revolution in Constantinople and is succeeded by Suleiman III.

1841 — Start of second Afghan war when Afghans massacre British Army officers.

1917 — A.J. Balfour declaration on Palestine, that Britain favours establishment of a national home for the Jewish people.

1930 — Haile Selassie is crowned emperor of Ethiopia.

1955 — David Ben-Gurion forms ministry in Israel.

1956 — Gaza, Egypt, falls to British in Suez war; Hungarian government renounces Warsaw Treaty, appeals to UN against Soviet invasion; Soviet Union vetoes Western powers' request for UN Security Council to consider critical state in Hungary.

1958 — US President John F. Kennedy announces end to Cuba missile crisis, says Soviet Union has been dismantling bases in Cuba.

1964 — King Saud of Saudi Arabia is deposed, and Faisal is proclaimed king.

1967 — White mercenaries and black troops invade the Congo from Portuguese Angola.

1987 — Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev marks 70th anniversary of Bolshevik revolution with scathing criticism of former Soviet leader Josef V. Stalin.

John Smith

## VIDEO CORNER

**'No-more-cigars-and-ice' shock**

By Gall Seery

I THOUGHT I was on to something good here. Hard as it may be to believe, in this film, there are absolutely no fast cars at all, not even a little one. However, on the other hand, there is a musical interlude, so I suppose we're back where we started really.

In the opening sequences of the film, Peter O'Toole, playing a wealthy and malingering Count, quotes from Aeschylus' *Oedipus Rex*. It is a prophetic quote, "Call no man happy until he is dead," but it is totally out of place in those early stages of the film. The film is about man's tendency to mar whatever he touches, and the four central characters, the Count, his wife, Larsen and Usabio the servant take a deserted island and make it a hell. At the end of the film only one man is left alive.

The Far Side of Paradise is nevertheless, a tedious sort of film. The dialogue is stilted and

everyone seems to speak his or her lines through clenched teeth. An accomplished actor like Peter O'Toole lifts his character above the complex and unlikely.

The Count and his ex-nightclub singer wife Julia have found themselves an island to flee to in the 1930s when Europe is about to fall into war. He is fabulously wealthy, and makes his desert island existence into something most people never attain.

His wife is beautiful, and essentially good. Not surprisingly therefore, she is the one who suffers most. The Count thinks he suffers most. He is dissident, sensitive and quasi-intellectual. "I couldn't stand Europe another day," he tells his hired friend Larsen. He indulges in a sort of fashionable lack of health, though on the few occasions he is tested, he copes well. Larsen sums it up later; "Sickness is just another one of his luxuries." He also indulges in being haunted by his dead

mistress, who stabbed him and killed herself. All in all, he is not the sort of man I would want to spend even five minutes with on a desert island.

Initially there is no radio and no gun on the island, and then his ex-wife turns up — well, she would, wouldn't she? So they have lots of parties, and live a very comfortable existence until she and her friends sail away again. But it's once they sail away that the descent into hell begins.

Before they go, they slaughter every available living thing on the island. Julia remonstrates with them, but as she is only a former night club singer they take no notice. "Hunting is the only way for us to be intimate with nature," she is told — an interesting concept perhaps. At this stage I was following the plot beautifully except for one small thing — where did the boat come from?

Once everyone (including the band) has left, they are alone again. The worst thing about

the bright young socialites who formed the man core of the visitors, is that they have totally damaged the idyllic peace of the place — they smoked all the cigars and ate most of the marzipane. Yes, this film is about suffering and deprivation.

"You always wanted to be alone on an island," they tell the Count. "Yes, but I wanted it to be suitable with proper house and decent grounds."

Then gradually the terror and awfulness of their position strike him. Maybe the supply ship has been impounded or torpedoed? "You know what this means don't you," says the Count. "I can smoke only one cigar a day." Horrors! This is the most dreadful moment of the film. This must have been what Aeschylus meant!

Larsen takes charge. "We don't have the island anymore. It has us." Then immediately, while the audience is still reeling from the no-more-cigars shock, they are beset by

another overwhelming hardship — no more ice. This is the last straw for the servant. "But we've always had ice!"

Fortunately the story veers away from other examples of hardship, like having to eat sandwiches with the crusts not cut off, or a serious lack of caviar. There is only so much squalor the viewer can take. Julia becomes the most coveted item on the island, except for cigars, and it is here that the violence escalates. "Everything belongs to all now," says Larsen.

The film ends with the Count alone on an island of dead bodies. If you don't consider the height of deprivation to be a lack of cigars and ice, and tend to lose patience with actors who speak their lines through clenched teeth after the first hour, avoid this film. On the other hand it is quite pretty and the colours are nice, though personally I wouldn't like to live in red tent.

By Brian Hollis

ANN Margaret has been missing from the video scene for quite a time now, and makes a welcome return in *A Tiger's Tale*. Bubba (C. Thomas Howell) is a teenager living in a small Texas town with his father (Charles Durning) and his pet tiger. One night while dropping off his unsexy girlfriend at home, he meets her mother (Ann Margaret), and soon his attentions have shifted entirely to her. Although initially she responds very reluctantly to his advances, Bubba persists, and eventually they spend a delightful summer together, tiger in tow. Their time together appears limited as Bubba must soon leave for college, but nature has other ideas.

*A Tiger's Tale* has a promising theme which treats the older woman/younger man romance in a comic though matter-of-fact way. But although Ann Margaret gives a good performance, the script is rather weak and Howell has a tendency to overact.

Boxing fans have a choice of two new releases, both of which deal more with the surrounding gangsters, hitmen and pretty

**Tiger's tale**

girls than with boxing itself.

The Opponent is a simple story about the Mafia controlled big fight scene. Bobby Mulligan (Daniel Greene) wants a chance at the big time, and in spite of a Mafia daddy (Giuliano Gemma) who goes around fixing fights, he soon gets a shot at the title challenger. The Mafia tells him to take a dive in the fifth (why always the fifth?), but honest Bobby refuses and gets his right hand broken. Enter girlfriend Anna's father (Ernest Borgnine), who helps Bobby train for the title fight. You see Borgnine was once a boxer who could have been a contender but he took a dive... you know the rest! As an unpretentious knockout film, The Opponent is undemanding entertainment, but the plot has the kind of predictability normally associated with sunrise and sunset.

Circlemen is more of the same stuff except that it deals with the world of illegal bare-knuckle boxing. Rod Marcus (Vernon Wells) has lists of steel and a head like cement. He was cheated out of a legit career by a

corrupt promoter and now it's time for him to quit. But pride and the fact that he has no other talents force him to continue.

If you like action movies no matter how incredible the plot, try Traxx. Our hero (Shadow Stevens), according to the blurb, has just blown away six terrorists, dynamited a drug smuggling compound, and baked a dozen cookies. He's a chocolate chip off the old Rambo block! If that's not enough to turn you off, you'll probably enjoy it.

For comedy, British viewers should try the comic strip short films Five Go Mad in Dorset, and Sosis (on the same tape), which is written, produced and acted by the stars of *The Young Ones*.

The Nest is a new horror movie which should appeal to most housewives in Kuwait, as it stars their favourite household pet, the cockroach. When an island is ravaged by roaches, scientists conduct an experiment to make a genetically altered roach which will eat other roaches. Of course the experiment goes wrong, with resultant flesh-eating roaches



Hitmen, pretty girls and gangsters abound in *The Opponent*.

devouring humans, cats and dogs. Can Doctor Hubbard convince the town to remain cool while she goes out to locate and destroy the queen mutant roach and the nest?

If you think *The Nest* sounds preposterous, try *The Return of the Killer Tomatoes*. This is the follow up to *The Attack of the Killer Tomatoes*, a copy of which we do not have. However, the first part has apparently gained cult status in the USA, leading to the production of a sequel, which viewers may find zany or just plain crazy, depending on their taste.

From the ridiculous to the sublime, G.B.'s version of the George Eliot classic *Silas Marner* has been released on video starring Ben Kingsley and Jenny Agutter. Unjustly accused of theft and cast out from his home in a 19th century religious community in the Midlands, young Silas seeks solace and solitude in hard work in a new environment. But when he is robbed of his entire savings by the wayward son of the local squire, it seems

he has lost everything a second time. One winter's night a young child mysteriously finds her way into his cottage, and Silas' life is changed forever.

Several Asterix cartoons are available on video, and this week sees the release of a new one, *Asterix in Britain*, a full length feature story. *Asterix* British cousin asks Asterix and Obelix to deliver a magic potion which gives them superhuman strength, to the one town holding out against the Romans. The potion is lost and hopes dwindle until our two heroes discover a new magic potion which ever since has sustained the British in times of trouble — teal! Also new for children are *Cock-a-Doodle Doo*, and *Mighty Mouse in the Great Space Race*.

NFL American football has finally started to arrive on a regular basis, and there are also new tapes for *Golf*, *Football*, *Boxing*, *Baseball* and *Tennis fans*.

The above films are by courtesy of VFI Farwaniya/Fintas; Video Neuf, Tel: 2432809; and Video Club, Tel: 5724372.

**WHAT'S ON****MUSIC**

7.30 Growing Pains: Alan Thicke and Joanna Kerns play the parents who switch roles in this American family show.

8.00 News in English

8.40 Probe: police thriller.

Tonight, two rival magicians perform in the same town on the same day — and one of them is killed.

9.30 The Secret World:

The River Ganges is considered to be a sacred river by the Hindus in India. A look at the myths and legends of Indian mythology.

10.00 What's Happening Now: A mother-in-law is not very popular in her daughter's home.

10.30 L.A. Law: A realistic look at the life, loves and work of lawyers.

11.30 News Summary

11.40 Magazine D'Actualite/Closedown

**SOCIAL****Harvest Festival**

NOV 3: 1-5 pm The National Evangelical Church, English Language Congregation, will hold the third Harvest Festival — food, fun, handicrafts, baked goods and other attractions. Come along and enjoy an afternoon's fun.

Kuwait Kannada Koota

NOV 4: 5 pm Sharq Co-operative Hall. Kuwait Kannada Koota presents a variety show for the Nehru Centenary Year and Karnataka Rajyotsava. Tel: 5721724; 5610835.

Canadian Women's League

NOV 5: The Canadian ladies will hold a meeting from 4-6 pm. Details ring 3718678.

German-Speaking Cultural Association

NOV 6: Kuwait Hilton, Old Failaka Room, 10 am. Interesting news will be shared with ladies at the regular monthly coffee morning on Sunday. All German-speaking ladies are welcome.

Danish Meeting

NOV 11: Daniella invites all Danes to a desert picnic, starting at 10 am. For details call Karen-Marie — 3715146; Annette — 3720182 ext 33.

Fahheel Open-Air

Al Shabab Pharmacy

Pahd Al Salem St.

Al Eoola Pharmacy

or Dasman Complex,

Ahmad Al Jaber St.

Hawali and Nugraha

Al Hina Pharmacy

Nugra Complex, Main St.

Salmiya and Rumaiithiya

Al Quds Pharmacy

Abdul Karim Mazal Bldg.

Amman St.

Fahheel and Ahmadi

Abu Hlaifa Pharmacy

Coastal Road

Jleeb Al Shiyoukh

Al Ayub Pharmacy

Shuwaikh Comm. Centre.

Main St.

Jahra

Al Khaled Pharmacy

Opp. Cooperative Society

&lt;p

By Kathy Cuddihy

WHERE does time go? One minute the children are so small that all they do is eat and sleep. The next minute they're young adults, real people, disputing parental decisions with a wife and rationale that we wish we had possessed at their age. Most of the growth changes are gradual and barely noticeable on a day-to-day basis. The onset of puberty, however, produces not only less-than-subtle physical transformations, but also a few attitude mutations which warn parents that it won't be long before their "babies" outgrow the nest.

For those of you who have not yet begun to witness any signs of metamorphosis in your children, here are a few clues.

You know your daughter is growing up when she finally considers wearing something other than tatty jeans and too-large T-shirts. She slowly develops a taste for upmarket clothes...and uses her mother's wardrobe as a source for her own budding collection.

You know your daughter is growing up when she makes any excuse to go shopping. Yes, the same person who used to be dragged kicking and screaming into any place of commercial activity now finds stimulation in spending money. Mothers who dreamed of the day when their daughters would enjoy shopping with them, find that they can't afford the luxury of this

## Growing pains

For those of you who have not yet begun to witness any signs of metamorphosis in your children, here are a few clues.

adolescent companionship. On the positive side, inducing a daughter's desire for trendy clothes and accessories could relieve the pressure on mother's wardrobe...

You know your daughter is growing up when the girl who wouldn't spend more than a quick minute in the bathtub, for neither love nor money, suddenly won't vacate the bath...for neither love nor money. What's more, these ablutions are enhanced by the addition of mother's special (and expensive) bath oils and creams.

Mothers again run the risk of stock depletion when daughters start taking an interest in perfumes and cosmetics, using mother's supplies to run random samples...with alarming regularity.

Of course, girls aren't the only children who grow up. Boys, too, go through the process. They are perhaps more subtle about it since, for them, maturing doesn't require raids into mother's domain. (Heaven help us if that tradition gets discarded!) Nevertheless, changes do occur, changes which eventually come to the attention of complacent parents.

For instance, the lad who, for more than a decade, has to be reminded

each and everyday to "wash your face, brush your teeth, comb your hair", is now taking the time — plenty of time — to check his appearance in the mirror. The face and teeth might still not get too much more than a lick and a promise, but the hair man, is nothing short of "far out", thanks to the assistance of mousse or gel. Parents much deduce that the style is "in" by the simple fact that they wouldn't be caught dead in it themselves.

Without a doubt, you know your son is growing up when he volunteers the view that not all girls are dumb — a vast improvement over his previous attitude.

Some generalities embrace both sexes. You know a major change is occurring when your child discards cuddly toys in bed in favour of a stereo Walkman.

Other insightful indicators come from observing how children spend their allowance. Money that once got allocated for lollipops and colouring books now goes towards cassettes of the latest rock music, or fad items such as fluorescent plastic shoe laces.

Another sure give-away in growth patterns is the

child's developing need for wardrobe consultations. Suddenly, colour co-ordination is cool. After years of bullying the child each morning to "have some pride in yourself. If nothing else, remember that other people have to look at you", the message finally sinks in. Now parents have to allow time to discuss which socks match which shirts, not to mention the application of harmony in colour.

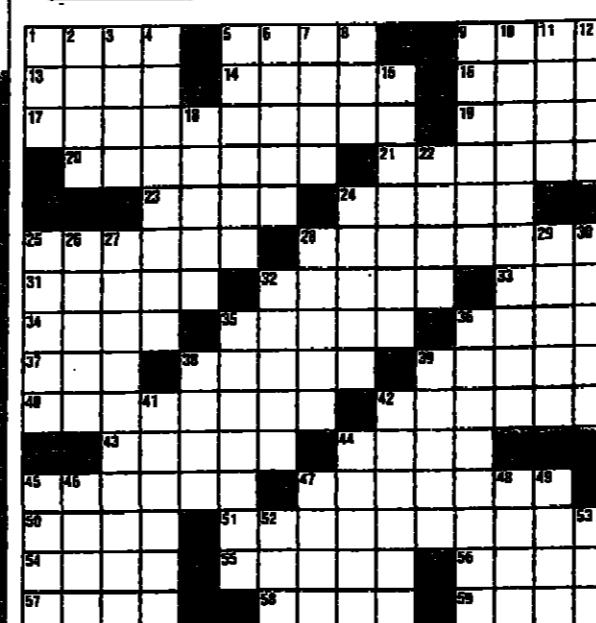
Parents or adolescents learn all too quickly that they've lost more than just their "babies": they've also lost their unrestricted telephone privileges. It is a curious fact of life that the telephone rings more frequently (in direct proportion to the number of teens and pre-teens) and few of the calls are for the paying subscribers.

Last, but not least, pattern change, primarily those of eating and sleeping. Formerly picky eaters become noticeably unselective in their desperation to wolf down alarming quantities of not necessarily nourishing nourishment. This is probably a requirement for the prolonged hibernation that adolescents enjoy.

Perhaps late-morning lie-ins are Nature's way of allowing parents to have a little peace and quiet, restock the fridge, and tidy up the teen devastation before the next wave strikes.

Or perhaps the intense eating and sleeping regime simply reminds us that our "babies" haven't changed so much after all, they've just come full circle.

## TODAY'S CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- 1 Vatican figure
- 5 Undergarment
- 9 — Lee
- 13 Formosa Strait Island
- 14 "I Pagliacci" role
- 16 Not care —
- 17 Social services employee
- 19 Roofing material
- 20 Government of a sort
- 21 Each
- 23 Walesa of Poland
- 24 Snore
- 25 Penny —
- 28 Stay tom
- 31 Tenant's concern
- 32 Small bottle
- 33 Rosary bead
- 34 Lip
- 35 Apple centers
- 36 Goodunov, for one
- 37 Capri ender
- 38 Indivisible substance
- 39 Lock
- 40 Lienee's obligation
- 42 Unsuited
- 43 Orange follower
- 44 Tough
- 45 — "saint"
- 47 Queens for one
- 50 — Lisa

DOWN

- 5 Bed linen item
- 54 "...o'clock scholar"
- 55 Folklore figure
- 56 Author-director Kazan
- 57 Grouse house
- 58 Eye affliction
- 59 Car mishap
- 1 Hair-bc:
- 2 Sharf
- 3 Sit
- 4 Lorgnette
- 5 Bracket
- 6 Coniferous tree
- 7 Black
- 8 Symbol of easiness
- 9 Accept
- 10 Lawyers holdalls
- 11 Soapstone
- 12 Blunt sword
- 13 Seers
- 18 Singer Robert of "The Most Happy Fella"
- 22 Byron
- 24 Moved sideways
- 25 Journalist Joseph
- 26 Larat
- 27 Name in railroad lore
- 28 Hiding spot for Polonius
- 53 Down

29 Nautical cry

30 Succinct

32 Short story

35 Idea

36 Slendered

38 Notable Golda

39 Huri

41 Sci-fi creature

42 Actress Lombard

44 Ilex

45 — "For All Seasons"

46 Plebsote

47 Rorschach picture

48 Storm of Hollywood

49 Confucian truth

52 April initials

53 Down

## GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF

AS TRUE AS A WOODEN NICKEL

Neither vulnerable. South deals

NORTH

♦ 8

♦ 10 3

♦ A K J 9 4

♦ K J 10 9 3

WEST

♦ 10 7 5 3 2

♦ 8 6 2

♦ Q 8 3

♦ 10 7 2

♦ A 2

EAST

♦ A J 6 4

♦ A J 7 5 4

♦ 6 5

♦ 8

The bidding:

South West North East

1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass

2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass

3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass

Pass Pass

Opening lead: Ace of ♦

If you can see that declarer is about to adopt a line that will bring home his contract, there is nothing nefarious about trying to convince him that he is about to make a grievous error. Indeed, it is the boudoir duty of every good defender to make the effort, and West surely qualified for a medal of honor with his defense on this deal.

Since the bidding almost surely marked dummy with a singleton spade, West decided that he would try for a club ruff by leading ace of clubs and another. Declarer rose with the table's king, discarding a spade from hand, cashed the ace of spades and ruffed a spade. Now if

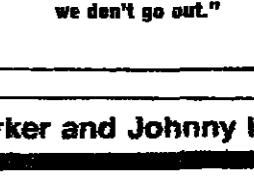
he could get back to his hand safely to ruff another spade, he could almost surely hold his losers to two trump tricks and the ace of clubs.

Aware of the danger posed by the club suit, declarer decided that, instead, he would return to hand by ruffing the third round of diamonds. He started on that path by cashing the ace-king of diamonds. On the second round West dropped the queen!

Now declarer knew that the queen could easily be a falsecard. He gazed at her highness long and hard, and at his left-hand opponent, but neither offered any clue. Eventually, he chose to ruff a club with the seven, saving his J-9 of trumps for his next ruff back to hand, or to pick up trumps if West overruffed with an honor and led a trump. But that all became academic when West overruffed with the eight and returned a trump. Declarer now still had to concede a spade and a trump trick for down one.



"Aren't you going to introduce him to mother and me first?"

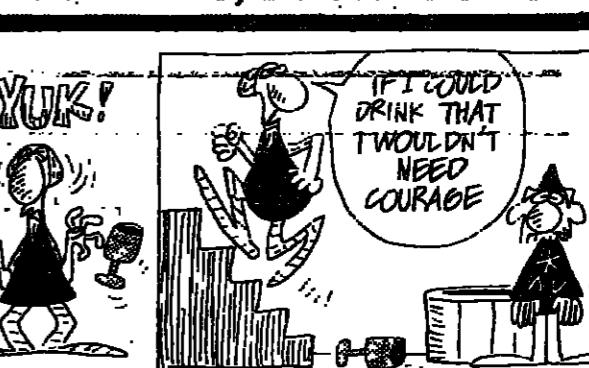


"He always has one for the road — even when we don't go out."

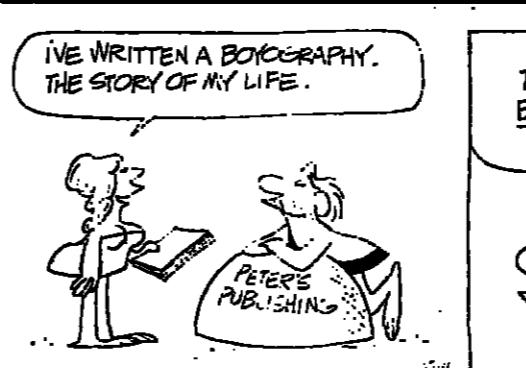
## ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

SALA	ARGO	ROLL
ENOS	SNEER	OPIE
WASHING	TON	CAMS
STE	SOLE	ANKLES
ELBE	AMIE	
DAMES	FRET	FUL
LISPS	RAIN	ENID
ANTI	DUCAT	LINE
DEER	IDES	SLOGS
DRESSES	STENO	
SEE	CHER	
MANTRA	ALOE	SSE
AREA	STPATRICKS	
SLOT	EVENS	LOIS
HONE	SASS	ETTE

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



B.C.



## YOUR STARS



Aries (March 20 - April 19)

You will feel more sure of yourself but you must not overstep the limits of your capabilities. You should try to exercise a little more restraint. A tendency to spend recklessly must be curbed.



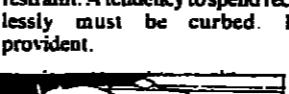
Cancer (June 21 - July 22)

You should try to be a little more patient. The situation is a little confused but it will clarify itself very soon. If you accept an invitation do not stay longer than you know you are welcome. Be tactful.



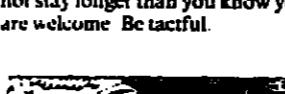
Libra (Sept. 22 - Oct. 22)

You should not allow yourself to be taken in by all the claims that are made for a new device. You should do all you can to avoid losing your temper. Spend a little longer thinking before you act. Be less arrogant.



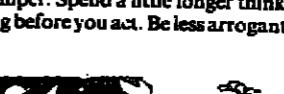
Taurus (April 19 - May 19)

You would do well to ask your partner's opinion before deciding on a course of action. Things are not at all what they seem so exercise great care. Do not hesitate to ask if you do not know. Be magnanimous.



Leo (July 22 - Aug. 21)

Read the instructions carefully before using a new gadget. You will not get your way in all things but on balance you will not have done badly. Do something that will make your partner happy. Be reasonable.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

You should make sure you do not spend more than you can afford. Avoid making any rash promises. Before you set out for somewhere you have not been before sort out your route carefully. Be moderate.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)

You will be able to do something you have not been able to do late. However you must beware of exaggerating. Make sure you do not run out of some essential supplies at the last moment. Be more tolerant.



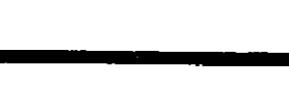
Virgo (Aug. 22 - Sept. 21)

The Moon's better influence in harmony with that of Saturn will help you to avoid falling into a trap. You should not take love for granted. Have a little more faith in yourself. Be attentive.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

You will not make as good progress as you had hoped but you must persevere. Some good advice should not be ignored. And an offer or proposal should be considered most carefully. Be responsive.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 19)



Aquarius

Medical illustrator gives police, archaeologists a head start

# From a skull to a haunting face

Both police and archaeologists call on artist and medical illustrator Richard Neave when they want to solve the mystery of 'Here is the skull but what did the person look like?' Now he handles anything from a 2,000-year-old mummy to the one remaining mystery man to have died in London's King's Cross underground fire disaster.

By Alex Molloy

THERE is a strange haunting look about the man on the London Metropolitan Police poster, and beneath the picture the simple words: "Do you know this man?"

For he is the one remaining unidentified victim of the disastrous fire at London's King's

Cross underground station which claimed 31 lives, on November 18, 1987.

But there is another reason for the haunting quality of the face—it was so badly burned in the fire that police commissioned a modelled reconstruction in a bid to discover the identity of the body of the man that remains unidentified, unwanted and unclaimed, 10



Richard Neave (right) and his assistant working on a reconstruction drawing

months after the disaster.

The man called in for this macabre job was medical illustrator Richard Neave of Manchester University Medical School in the north of England

Richard says: "For a reconstruction of this kind I first cast it in plaster as a complete unit to provide the surface on which the face can be built. Then I mark certain parts on the plaster cast of the skull, drill holes in it and insert pegs into the holes to indicate the average thickness of the tissue on a human face."

"I then build on the basic groups of anatomical muscle. It establishes the hard bone and the soft muscle and the face just develops from that. I use modelling clay for the actual face."

"When I was commissioned to rebuild the King's Cross fire victim I went to the mortuary in London where he was being kept and the attendant unzipped the body bag and said: 'There you are, guy. Do you want to take his head off or shall I?' and he handed me a saw. I let him do it."

"Then I carried the head back with me in a parcel and when I was on the train all that I could think was 'What would all these people think if they knew what was in my parcel?'"

"I was asked if I would illustrate any injury that it might have, and in fact both the legs had been amputated from the knee."

But despite the reconstruction and medical and dental evidence provided by forensic scientists, the man's identity still remains a mystery.

Some of Richard Neave's reconstructions have helped bring murderers to justice, but he first became involved in police work only after a TV programme about his work as a medical illustrator with a 2,000-year-old Egyptian mummy.

The body of the 13-year-old girl, though mummified was reduced by the climate to a dried-out husk, more resembling a piece of old leather than an adolescent girl.

Her body was taken from her desert tomb and flown to England where it was unwrapped.

For the first time Richard took a cast of skull and reconstructed the face of someone who died more than 300 years before Christ.

Richard, 51, whose main work is to illustrate medical test books and devise the graphics for TV medical programmes, recalls: "The unwrapping of this mummy was a very serious project and lots of people at the university became involved."

"I was asked if I would illustrate any injury that it might have, and in fact both the legs had been amputated from the knee."

"Then I thought it would be a really nice idea to take a plaster cast of the skull and build the face. As an artist it seemed a logical thing to do."

"It took about four weeks to reconstruct and it was fascinating. The finished product was great. The girl was not exactly pretty, but she had a kind of glamour that I found appealing."

After a television programme about the project, a police officer phoned to ask if he could do the same for a body that had been unidentified more than a year.

"I reconstructed the face of a man who eventually turned out to have been a sailor who got drunk, fell into a ditch and drowned in his own vomit. Lots of the skulls I have handled have been accidental deaths or suicides, though I also work on murder cases."

That first mummy reconstruction was in 1975 and since then Richard has rebuilt 15 faces, including Philip, the father of Alexander the Great, and 'Pete Marsh' the ancient Briton found in a peat bog in Cheshire, England, in the mid 1980's.

He says: "I worked in Greece on the skull of Alexander the Great's father, Philip."

## Condition

"The skull was in good enough condition for the forensic scientists to determine that he was blind in his right eye and that he had died from a heavy blow to the head."

"The Greeks were very pleased with my work. And I found that it was very satisfying because this had real history and legend attached to it."

Then there was the ancient Briton, nick-named 'Pete Marsh' because he was found in a peat marsh. Richard became so involved in the reconstruction in this particular case that once in a motorway cafe he found himself almost in trouble for staring at a lorry driver who had the same type of bone structure as Pete Marsh.

He recalls: "I found myself staring at this man and I do not think that he was very pleased



The reconstructed face of a 13-year-old Egyptian mummy which lay in a desert tomb for 2000 years.

about it. It was just that he had the same kind of bone structure as the skull I was working on. I do find myself staring at people's faces at times. I think about what they would come out like if I was to try to reconstruct their heads."

The art of reconstructing skulls is not new. It was popular before the Second World War but fell into disfavour after serious mistakes were made in a reconstruction.

Richard says: "I just look on it as a job. The only time I find it distressing is when I am working with the police and realise that someone can be so stripped

of their identity and their body so decomposed that no-one knows who they were."

Richard has been an artist all his working life. After art school in London he did his National Service and then trained as a medical illustrator at London's Middlesex Hospital for two and a half years.

He says: "My grandfather was a surgeon and my mother was an artist. So I took to medical illustrating like a duck to water."

Some of the reconstructions have helped to bring murderers to justice.

"Recently I worked on the

skull of a young man who had died from a blow to the head and was then covered in petrol and set alight."

"I could tell from the skull that he was Asian or Oriental. When the skull was reconstructed, the family recognised the face at once, even though it had been an Asian man and I had given him eyes that looked more Chinese."

"Now hopefully they have discovered who his murderer was and will bring the person to court."

"I really enjoy my job, it's so satisfying. I just could not see myself doing anything else."

# Who could be better than the best?

Introducing the new Mitsubishi Galant.



The new Mitsubishi Galant won the Car of the Year Award among many advanced new cars launched in Japan in 1987/88.

The panel of experts singled out Galant for high technology, distinguished styling and value. Who could be better than the best?

**MITSUBISHI GALANT**

Precision in Action

Trade in And Easy Instalments  
Up To 48 Months Available

Maseehah Trading co. W.L.L.

Sour Street Tel. 2445040, Al Rai Tel. 4713127/4730733, Fahaheel, Fahaheel Industrial Area Tel. 3912441/3918921

The Al Mulla Group - Your Partners in Progress.



# Clues to ancient 'jigsaw puzzle'

By Adrian Berry

SCIENTISTS say that the oldest underwater rocks ever recovered by a drilling ship are part of the bed of an ocean which vanished 200 million years ago.

The discovery is helping scientists work out the mystery of why continents move around.

The primordial Tethys Sea, named after the ancient Greek goddess of rivers, was the Earth's earliest ocean.

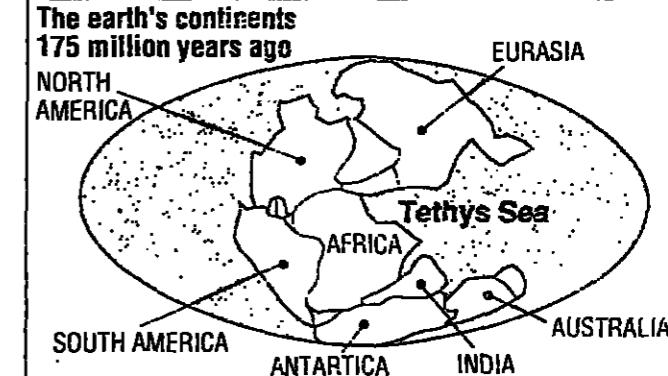
It was once the size of the Indian Ocean. But it vanished when the Earth's land masses closed on it, forcing its seabed

upwards so that it turned into mountain ranges.

"Both the Alps and the Himalayas were originally part of the Tethys seabed," said Professor Philip Rabinowitz, of Texas Agricultural and Mechanical University, director of the expedition that made the discovery on the drilling ship *Joides Resolution*, off the north-western coast of Australia.

He said: "These rocks are at least 230 million years old. This is the first time anyone has ever found rocks that were part of that ancient Tethys seabed and are still under the sea."

"We are finding out more and more about the shapes of



the earliest seas and how the continents moved and separated. What is fascinating is that the torn edges of the separated continents sometimes retain the shapes they had at the time of the separation.

"The north Australian coast may be typical of one of these ancient edges. They are like giant pieces of a jigsaw puzzle."

"When theoretically reas-

sembled, they show us what the Earth looked like hundreds of millions of years ago, at the start of the age of the dinosaurs."

Prof Rabinowitz continued: "The greatest mystery is what makes the continents move. The most likely theory is that rock is forced up from deep in the Earth's crust by some volcanic process, and that it drives existing continent apart."

# Researchers aim to open classic dinosaur site

By Henry Gee

REOPENING a classic dinosaur site more than 300 metres underground is the ambitious aim of two Belgian researchers.

In 1878, miners at a colliery in Bernissart, village on the Franco-Belgian border, discovered 29 skeletons of the plant-eating dinosaur *Iguanodon* as well as the remains of many other animals. But excavation ceased in the early 1880s due to both lack of funds and to a small earthquake.

A succession of attempts to resume work have all met with failure. But more than a century after the first discoveries, Pierre Capront, of the University of Brussels, and his colleague Pierre Simonet plan

to continue where their predecessors left off.

They outlined the aims of *Recherche des Iguanodontes* — the organization they have created to co-ordinate the project — at a palaeontological congress in Boulogne, France last month.

The spectacular finds of 1878 came from a relatively small volume of rock, about 300 cubic metres; but geological evidence shows there are about 200,000 cubic metres of the same just waiting to be dug up. The catch is that the fossil-rich geological strata in question are buried far underground.

The 130-million-year-old fossils were buried in rocks that slowly sank into a natural crack in the Earth and became covered by more recent

sediments. The researchers will need to sink a new mineshaft to reach the sediments.

They calculate that they will need 3.5 billion Belgian francs (about £50 million), over a period of 15 years to reopen the site and search for more dinosaur remains.

But their aims are more than just scientific; they plan to exploit the public interest that work at Bernissart will undoubtedly generate, and turn Bernissart into Europe's biggest dinosaur theme park.

Such ideas are not new; the Victorian life-size dinosaur sculptures by Waterhouse Hawkins that still attract tourists in Crystal Palace in London catered for the immense public interest generated by the discoveries of *Iguanodon* and

other dinosaurs at the time. The first *Iguanodon* specimen was found in a Sussex road cutting by Mrs Gideon Mantell, the wife of a country doctor who was idling in the road with her pony and trap while her husband attended a patient.

The Bernissart fossils, dating from the same period, represented a significant advance because many of them were complete skeletons rather than isolated fragments.

Two species of *Iguanodon* were found at Bernissart: the original *Iguanodon mantelli* and the somewhat larger *Iguanodon bernissartensis*. And these skeletons were accompanied by fossils of turtles and crocodiles, indicating a waterside environment.

# ANDY CAPP

By Smith



THAT COULD MEAN ANYTHING — HE COULD BE LEAVING OR HE COULD BE STAYING

# ARAB TIMES Classifieds

## ACCOMMODATION

### Available

KUWAIT City next to Al Muthanna Complex Accommodation in a CAC, well furnished flat for 2 working ladies from 1st November Tel: 74210405 lines, 12:30-3 pm; 2428784, 2428796 (working hours). (AT5-44605-3)

OADISIYA Area 4, House 6, Street 45, 4 rooms with water and electricity for bachelors and families. Bus route 16. Contact Mr. Jassim personally. (AT5-44629-3)

### For Rent

SALWA Deluxe flat with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, large living and dining room, kitchen, CAC, including a lift, 300 sq metre basement with CAC. Tel: Mr. Adnan 9137015, Mr. Taqi 2416339. (AT5-44635-3)

### FOR RENT VILLA

A very unique family home. With wall to wall bright glass windows overlooking fenced garden. This home features 4 br, 2-1/2 ba, CAC. Tel: 5339280, 5339281.

BAYAN, Block 6, Road 22, House 29, Villa, 1st and 2nd floor. Tel: 2510248, mornings 5391085, evenings (AT5-44631-3)

SALWA, Block 6, House 296 One floor of villa, 5 bedrooms, 2 large rooms, kitchen and 4 bathrooms, CAC Tel: 5657118. (AT5-44647-3)

AL ANDALUS, part of a deluxe villa, 2 bedrooms, living and dining area, private entrance and a small garden, suitable for a small family. Rent KD180. Tel: 4873183, 1-5 pm (AT5-44619-3)

### FOR SALE

#### Cars

NISSAN Liberta, 1984 automatic with AC and hatchback, 55,000 kms, one owner, in very good condition. KD950 or KD32 per month by instalments. Tel: 9035881. (AT5-44653-3)

### REQUIRED URGENTLY WORKERS

Expert in ironing and pressing clothes, with transferable residence. Contact Nazir Hussain Dogar Tel: 4716862, 4719131, 4713222 between 7am & 12 noon & 4-5pm.

### FOR RENT

Villas, half villas, buildings, and flats with or without swimming pool.

Al Azraq Real Estate Tel: 2452199, 2452198

VOLVO 240 GL Estate 1985 shown room minibus first registered February 1988, 40,000 kms, full service record. In excellent condition. Owner leaving Kuwait. KD2850. Tel: Mr. Lines, 2468652, 9 am-1pm. (AT5-44596-3)

RENAULT Immagine 25 V6, '86 model black, 28,000 kms, in excellent condition. Tel: Mr. Masoud, 5614906 5516780, after 1 pm. (AT5-44613-3)

MITSUBISHI Colt, turbo, 1985 model, 29,000 kms, with many extras like new condition. One lady owner. Tel: Mr. Robertson, 390178, 5-8pm. (AT5-44617-3)

MITSUBISHI Pajero, 1984 SWB soft top air-conditioned manual, 3 wheel drive, radio, cassette, white with red stripes, insured up to October 1989 in good condition. KD1400, cash. Tel: 5620813. (AT5-44625-3)

### Wanted

Villa or part of a villa for a small family.

Please call 5722851/2/3 Mr Abu Bader

### WANTED

TV & VCR repairing  
TV antenna (Gulf English channels)  
Free pick up & delivery service 2643761

### REQUIRED

For a leading Kuwaiti manufacturing plant in Sabhan

### 1. PRESS OPERATORS 2. PAINTERS 3. LABOURERS

Contact telephone Nos. 4735418/4745948 from 8 am - 4 pm

### CANADA

IMMIGRATION INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY Dr. George K. Lewis, president of The Lewis Group Inc., Toronto, will be committee of the Hilton Hotel, Kuwait, from November 2, '88 to November 4, '88 to interview business and senior executive employees, who wish to migrate and invest in Canada. Serious inquiries please contact in confidence, Dr. Lewis, at telephone 251-2500 for an interview or write/call our Head Office at:

The Lewis Group Inc.  
89 Torlake Crescent  
Toronto, Ontario  
M6Z 1B4 Canada  
Tel: (416) 255-8251 Fax: (416) 251-9437

### Give your child a great start at...



The  
Al-Tameer  
Playgroup  
Conveniently situated in attractive residential area of Al Tameer Complex, behind the Hilton Hotel...

For more details, please contact: 2543508

# MARKET PLACE

### Miscellaneous

MAZDA 626 '84 model, fully automatic, in good condition. KD 800. Tel: Abbas, 3962323 Res. 3262888 ext. 2685 off, 7-4 pm (Sat-Wed)

(AT5-44660-2)

TOYOTA Corolla, AC, automatic, white, 72,000 kms, in very good condition. Instalments KD858, KD44 per month. Tel: Presley, 5744136. (AT5-44655-2)

GALANT GLX 1986, manual, regularly maintained, in very good condition. Best offer approximately KD1400. Tel: Stanley, 4837623. (AT5-44612-3)

ROLLS ROYCE Silver Shadow I, 1976, 73,000 kms, in immaculate condition. Maintained by the agent. Tel: 4810887. (AT4-44627-3)

SAAB GLS 900, 1982 model, manual, in good condition. KD800, ono. Tel: 3947157, 4-7pm. (AT4-44639-3)

HONDA Accord 1985 model, 76,000 kms, red, lady driver, in good condition. KD1400, cash. Tel: 4672239. (AT4-44640-3)

DOG, small, white, poodle, named Ripples. Lost in Sabah Al Salem. Reward offered KD100. Tel: 5515510. (AT5-44651-3)

(AT5-44652-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

BAG, brown colour, containing Filipino passport, civil card, KAC ticket (Kuwait to Manila) and Xeros copies including money. Reward will be offered. Finder please tele 4575300 ext 616, 318. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

### LOST

IDENTITY card (Hawaya) in the name of Kanorwala Asgar Ali Akbar Ali, Indian. Finder please tele 2402474. (AT5-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

### Electronics

REQUERED for an European woman, from Shuaikah near Sabhan to Salwa, Area No 11, after 1:30 pm, Saturday to Wednesday. Tel: Mr. Yanush, 4843565, 9 am - 1 pm. (AT5-44645-2)

(AT5-44645-2)

AVAILABLE from Saimya to Kuwait City, 7:30 am - 2 pm. Tel: 5651043, 5642208. (AT5-44608-3)

(AT5-44608-3)

REQUERED from Derna to Sabhan, 7 am to 4 pm. Tel: Mr. Laqat Ali, 2438861, 5 - 7 pm. (AT4-44637-3)

(AT4-44626-3)

SKILLED steel fixers are seeking jobs. Please tele. Mr. Lee, 5621676, 5620215. (AT5-44652-3)

(AT5-44652-3)

EXPERIENCED salesman or local purchaser with extensive knowledge of the Kuwait market, with valid residence and driving licence, seeking a suitable job. Please leave message 3920548. (AT4-44626-3)

(AT4-44626-3)

MALE dog wanted, either German Shepherd, Terrier or Boxer preferred, around 4 months old. Anyone looking for a good home for their dog, please contact. Tel: 2440981, 2440985. (AT4-44609-3)

(AT4-44609-3)

DOG, small, white, poodle, named Ripples. Lost in Sabah Al Salem. Reward offered KD100. Tel: 5515510. (AT5-44651-3)

(AT5-44652-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

BAG, brown colour, containing Filipino passport, civil card, KAC ticket (Kuwait to Manila) and Xeros copies including money. Reward will be offered. Finder please tele 4575300 ext 616, 318. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

BAG, brown colour, containing Filipino passport, civil card, KAC ticket (Kuwait to Manila) and Xeros copies including money. Reward will be offered. Finder please tele 4575300 ext 616, 318. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44648-2)

(AT5-44648-2)

PHILIPS (Trendset) 21" colour TV, stereo sound with auto tuning, remote control and multi selection, made in Holland. For sale at a reasonable price. Tel: Mr. Masud, 3946836, 7 am - 3 pm. (AT4-44642-3)

(AT5-44642-3)

PHILIPS (Trendset

# BUSINESS & FINANCE

## UN shipping code comes under review

GENEVA, Nov 1. (Reuters): Government delegates and shipping experts from about 100 countries began a three-week review yesterday of an international agreement aimed at giving developing nations a bigger share of world shipping.

They discussed the workings of a United Nations convention adopted in 1983 outlining a code of conduct for groups of shipping firms that set conditions and tariffs for their routes.

A key provision of the convention, negotiated under the auspices of the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), provides that 40 per cent of cargoes be carried by ships belonging to exporting countries, 40 per cent by importers' vessels and 20 per cent by third country lines.

An UNCTAD report prepared for the meeting said the convention's 71 members accounted for just under half the 91 million deadweight tons of shipping operated by such groups.

Lalit Mohan Singh Rajwar, managing director of the Shipping Corporation of India, was elected chairman of the review session. He said delegates faced a complex task and would need to be flexible in considering possible amendments to the code.

## Iran to boost oil output capacity

NICOSIA, Cyprus, Nov 1. (AP): Iran has announced it will increase its oil production capacity from 3.1 to 3.6 million barrels a day in the next five years, an oil newsletter reported yesterday.

The Middle East Economic Survey said the plans were announced in a booklet released recently by the Iranian Oil Ministry on projects for the coming decade.

**Production**

The booklet said the increase in production would be achieved mainly by "completion and implementation of gas injection projects."

It said that plans were to double gas production by 1998 to 8.95 million cubic feet per day from the current level of 4.6 million cubic feet per day.

## Move to save scarce foreign exchange resources

### Jordan to cut development spending in '89 budget

AMMAN, Nov 1. (Reuters): Jordan's Prime Minister Zeid Al Rifai said today his government would reduce development spending in the 1989 budget to save scarce foreign exchange resources.

"We will continue to spend on development, but only on projects already under way or that have a financial return. We are going to stop for a while expenditure on new infrastructure," he told Reuters.

He gave no figures. The budget for calendar 1989 will be announced in December.

Rifai said there was little scope for cuts in current spending, 40 percent of which goes on defence and security and 20 percent on public salaries and pensions.

**Spending**

Development spending could not be halted completely without stopping growth and thereby reducing domestic revenue, he said.

Some bankers and economists

## US bond market outlook under review

### IBJI keen to boost lending in Mideast

By M.C. Rose



Yoshio Osawa (right) managing director of IBJI International Limited pictured with Dr David M. Jones senior vice-president and chief economist of Aubrey G. Lanston and Co.

The seven-member delegation

headed by Yoshio Osawa, managing director of IBJI International Limited, is visiting Kuwait to increase its operations.

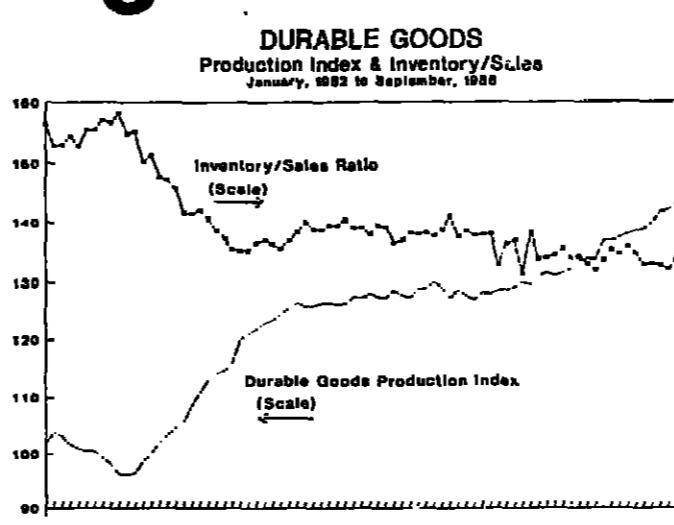
#### Delegation

Dr David M. Jones, senior vice-president and chief economist of Aubrey G. Lanston and Co and a member of the delegation, told the Arab Times the delegation is also planning to meet government officials, top level private

investors and officials from banks and other financial institutions. He said the team has already met officials of the Kuwait Investment Authority (KIA).

Jones said: "Lanston as one of a very select group, it engages in transactions directly with the

Federal Reserve in open market operations undertaken by the Fed to fulfil both its daily operating requirements and longer-term policy objectives. Lanston consistently participates in Treasury Securities auctions and conducts active two-way secondary markets in US Treasury and



federal agency obligations.

"Moreover, with Lanston serving as a primary dealer, it plays a key role in the implementation of US monetary policy."

He added that "We are the only primary dealer to maintain commitment to the US government securities market. In recent

(Continued on Page 14)

## American exports are booming, says Bush

### Next US administration must cope with huge trade imbalance

WASHINGTON, Nov 1. (AP): If the US budget deficit seems invisible to most Americans, the gaping trade deficit is all too apparent. They see its evidence every day in the cars they drive, the televisions they watch, the shoes they wear.

Now it will fall to either George Bush or Michael Dukakis to try to remedy this other US deficit, the trade imbalances that hit a staggering \$170 billion last year and are running at a \$138-billion pace for 1988.

The American appetite for imported goods became voracious in the 1980s as a strong dollar produced a flood of bargains for US consumers. Even after intervention by the United States and its allies in 1985, Americans retained their taste for imports.

**Expensive**

Japanese auto makers who established a beachhead in the US market with cheap, fuel-efficient subcompacts earned a larger and more expensive niche.

on the strength of their autos' quality and reliability.

The trade law signed by President Ronald Reagan in August gives the next president new tools to protect US markets and retaliate against countries with unfair trading practices.

Dukakis' running mate, Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, was the leading congressional champion of the tougher trade law.

"I want to be a president who stands up and fights for American companies, American products and American workers," Dukakis said at a metal factory in Dayton, Ohio, last month.

Bush says American exports are booming, the trade deficit is already coming down, and free trade, not protectionism, is the way to restore America's competitiveness. The Republican dismisses Dukakis' warnings about foreign "dumping" as "protective demagogery."

"We need to increase our exports, not shut our borders," says Bush. But, he adds, "our

commitment to free trade must be linked to a reciprocal commitment to fair trade by our trading partners."

Dukakis, while trying to make a gut-level appeal to American workers alarmed about their livelihood, has tried to avoid being cast as a protectionist. He was conspicuously silent when Congress passed a protectionist textile bill in September that Reagan vetoed.

Even Reagan is not the doctrinaire free-trader he once was.

His administration, confronted with gaping trade deficits, backed off from what had been an undeviating faith in free markets in 1985 and worked in concert with allies to bring the value of the dollar down.

"There's been very vigorous enforcement of trade laws under the Reagan-Bush administration in the past three years," Bruce Smart, a Bush trade adviser and former Undersecretary of Commerce, said.

Dukakis says the Reagan-Bush policies in those first four

years "turned two generations of trade surpluses into the world's largest trade deficit, and cost our workers 5 million jobs."

#### Rules

But Smart notes both Bush and Dukakis support the US-Canada free trade agreement and favour strengthening the 96-nation General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), which sets global trading rules and investigates alleged violations.

Dukakis has endorsed extending voluntary restraint agreements with 29 steel-exporting countries after those agreements expire next Sept 30. Bush has withheld judgement, waiting "to see if there is a better way" to help US steel companies from subsidised imports, Smart said.

Both Bush and Dukakis supported the unfair trade complaint that US rice growers lodged against Japan.

**US Trade Representative**

Clayton K. Yeutter rejected that complaint last Friday, prompting the Dukakis campaign to accuse the administration of failing to "stand up for America."

#### Policies

Economist David Wyss said, "it's quite clear Bush would continue current policies, sticking as much as possible with multilateral accords and keeping an open economy.... Dukakis feels that interference with trade is justifiable to protect American industry."

"There is no easy way out," said Robert Strauss, who was trade negotiator for the Carter administration.

## World Business Summary

### US to spell out farm subsidy freeze plan

WASHINGTON, Nov 1. (Reuters): The United States will notify trade partners in coming days of its willingness to freeze farm subsidies over the next two years, a senior US official said yesterday. Short-term agricultural reform, however, will continue to hinge on the success of a US proposal to scrap all trade-distorting farm subsidies over time, Daniel Amstutz, chief US farm trade negotiator, said. Amstutz told Reuters the US administration was drawing up a paper outlining its position that will soon be presented to other members of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The paper will mark the first time the United States has formally endorsed a short-term freeze or reduction of agricultural subsidies as part of the Uruguay round of trade liberalisation negotiations. Any agreement focusing on the short-term would be acceptable to Washington only if trading partners acquiesced to its controversial long-term demand that GATT members agree to phase out all subsidies or quotas distorting trade flows. The European Economic Community has flatly rejected that demand and instead called for a freeze of agricultural support programmes at 1984 levels. The US paper is part of preparatory talks in advance of a mid-term review in December of progress in the four-year Uruguay round. It will officially bring the United States closer to the position of the Cairns Group of 13 nations, which has called for a "downpayment" in 1989 and 1990 consisting of 10 per cent annual reductions in aggregate monetary support to farmers. The Cairns Group, which includes Australia, Canada and Brazil, also endorses eventual liberalisation of farm trade, but it stops short of setting a deadline. Washington has proposed reaching its long-term goal by the year 2000.

## ARIG to expand operations

ABU DHABI, Nov 1. (KUNA): The Arab Insurance Group (ARIG) plans to open offices in the Far East, Africa and Europe to expand its operations, the company's general manager said. Nooruddin A. Nooruddin, at a press conference in Dubai, yesterday described the company as "profitable and competitive." He said ARIG's main areas of business at present were aviation which accounted for 26.7 per cent and oil 22.3 per cent of the gross premium in 1987. Nooruddin said ARIG's premium earnings rose to \$157 million last year from \$119.7 million in 1986. Net profits of the company before operating expenses dropped to \$30.15 million in 1987 from \$33.37 million, which is attributed to a sharp fall in investment income to \$21.2 million from \$36.58 million. The company's net profit, as a result, dropped to \$15.1 million from \$22.5 million in 1986, he said. Nooruddin said the company expects to post a higher profit this year. The ARIG official is in the United Arab Emirates for a board meeting of the company owned by the UAE, Kuwait and Libya with headquarters in Bahrain. Nooruddin said ARIG will open a branch in Hong Kong next month and an office in Tunis in early 1989 and also studying the feasibility of an office in London. According to Nooruddin the total authorised capital of Arab reinsurance companies in 1986 was \$2.19 billion and technical reserves \$943.5 million or 166 per cent of the net retained premium. Nooruddin said the Arab world's per capita insurance which averaged at \$20 was "far less" than most developed countries and significantly lower than the world average of about \$130.

## PARCELS TO THE U.K.



## 2 DAYS-GUARANTEED!

Hand us your parcel by 4pm and we guarantee to deliver it anywhere in the UK within 2 working days.  
OR YOUR MONEY BACK.

Either way the simplest of documentation ensures a speedy customs clearance.  
Ready for your consignment's safe and reliable passage to over 2,000 destinations throughout the UK.

Ensuring on-time delivery to your consignee – OR YOU DON'T PAY.  
Next time you're sending a parcel to the UK, try the DHL Guarantee for size.

IF WE DON'T DELIVER OUR PROMISE,  
WE DELIVER IT FREE.

**DHL**  
WORLDWIDE EXPRESS®

FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION CALL: KUWAIT 2442375

## Burma to open its economy to foreign investors

RANGOON, Burma, Nov 1. (AP): Burma will shed 26 years of economic isolation and a rigidly controlled domestic economy and open its doors to foreign investment, Trade Minister Col. Abel said yesterday.

Burma will practice a market-oriented trade policy in line with the world economic trend, both in domestic and foreign trade, "the minister told a news conference.

But there was no indication that the military government of Gen. Saw Maung, who seized power on Sept 18, would liberalise politically.

Abel, who uses only one name, said laws that would provide a favourable investment climate were being drafted. He welcomed queries from both domestic and foreign investors on the new policies.

Burma's economy spiralled downwards last year and the country, according to experts, is virtually bankrupt following months of political upheaval and a freeze on aid by Japan, West Germany, the United States and other donors.

The international community has condemned the Burmese military government for a ruth-

less suppression of popular dissent that began in late July following the retirement of strongman Ne Win.

Ne Win, who seized power in a 1962 military coup, imposed a centrally directed economy and banned all private foreign investment. Under his authoritarian rule, one of Asia's potentially richest nations became among the world's poorest with an annual per capita income currently estimated at below \$150.

Abel said that items such as teak, petroleum and gems would remain under government monopoly but private enterprises could become involved in all other sectors of the economy.

He said foreign investment would be permitted either directly or through joint ventures with the government or local private enterprises. The minister said tourism would be promoted and foreign investment in hotels would be welcome.

But Abel said there were no plans to change the current official exchange rate of six kyats to one US dollar. Under this rate, private exporters often receive less from their transaction than the cost of the export commodity. The black market rate

has soared to more than 40 kyats for one dollar recently.

Reaction from foreign investors was expected to be cautious given the potentially chaotic political situation and Burma's earlier backtracking on promises of economic reform.

Since late July, thousands have been killed by an authoritarian government trying to maintain power in face of nationwide protest.

Saw Maung has allowed the formation of political parties and promised a general election, but opposition leaders are sceptical a free and fair election can be held while the military wields power.

Abel said cross border trade was opened at two points with China recently and similar arrangements were expected to follow along Burma's frontiers with Bangladesh, India and Thailand.

Meanwhile, talks began here yesterday between officials at the Iraqi Trade Ministry and a US economic delegation led by Melvin Simms, director-general at the US Department of Agriculture.

We collect from your desk. Or you can visit your DHL Express Centre.



# WORLD STOCK MARKETS

## International Bond Highlights

London — Nippon Oil Finance (Netherlands) BV is issuing an eight billion yen floating rate note due Nov 25, 1992 at 57 basis points below the Japanese long-term prime rate and priced at 100.30 pct, lead manager Yamaichi International (Europe) Ltd said. (RTU 1058) In London, lead manager Bankers Trust International Ltd said Nippon Oil Finance is also issuing a 100 mln dlrs Eurobond due Nov 25, 1998 paying a coupon of 9.5 pct and priced at 102 pct. (RTV 1353)

London — The 500 mln dlrs Eurobond for General Electric Capital Corp has now been formally launched, lead manager Goldman Sachs International Corp said. (RTU 0939)

Frankfurt — Commerzbank Overseas Finance NV, Curacao is issuing a 100 mln Canadian dlr, four-year Eurobond with a 101-1/4 pct coupon priced at 101-3/4, lead manager Commerzbank AG said. (RTU 1531)

Amsterdam — The city of Amsterdam issued a 6.25 pct, 150 min guilder bullet loan due Dec 7, 1998, lead manager SBCI NV said. (RTU 1430)

Tokyo — Many Industries Inc said it will issue 50 min-dlrs in four-year warrant bonds through public placement on overseas markets except the US the coupon on the par-priced issue was indicated at 5-1/2 pct. (RTU 0837)

## Interest Rates

	CALL	ONE MONTH	THREE MONTHS
LDN	12 11-7/8	12 11-15/16	12 1/8 1/16
FPT	4.75/65	4.70/80	4.90/55.00
PAB	7-11/16 13/16	7-3/4 7/8	8 8-1/8
ZUR	1-5/8 1-7/8	3-1/2 3-3/4	3-3/4 4
BRI	3.75	7-3/16 3/16	7-1/4 5/16
RON	10-3/4 10-7/8	10-1/2 11	11-3/8 11-7/8
AMS	4.75/60	5.20/30	5.20/30
TOK	3.8125 8750	4.2500 3125	4.3750 4375
ECU	7.25 7.50	7.37 7.50	7.50 7.62

## Interest Rates

FOLLOWING are the average KD interest rates of local interbank transactions as reported by participants to Central Bank of Kuwait today.			
Period	Bid	Offered	
1 month	7	7-1/2	
3 months	6-3/4	7-1/4	
6 months	6-5/8	7-1/16	
1 year	6-9/16	7-1/16	

## BOMBAY

PR.CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GLINDIA	79	77.50	76.50	NICO	650	655	640	
ACC	277	270	276.50	GRASIM	78.50	78.50	79.50	112	109	105	
ASIA PAINT	216.25	215	215.75	GSPC	141.25	135	138.75	OKRAY	40	39	38.50
BAJAJ AUTO	373.75	370	367.50	HIND.LEVER	84	84	85	PEICO	33.50	30	32
BAR.RAYON	300	290	300	HINDALCO	126	125	123	PFIZER	78	74	76
BON.DYING	136.50	134	133	HINDCOOP	111.25	111.25	110	P.F.RE.AUTO	48	49	48
BR. BOND	115	111	112	HINDMOTOR	30.50	30.50	29.50	RAYMOND	61	58	60
BSE INDEX	679.34	675.58	675.58	IND.ORG	41	40	41	RELIANCE	174	167	160
CENTURYSPIG	1315	1290	1280	INDRAYON	80	79.50	79	SIEMENS	107	103	103
DOLGATE	310	305	302.50	INDROL	264.50	262.50	268.75	SPIC	52.50	51.50	50.50
DEEPAKPERT	43	41.50	39.50	KTC	56	52	54	STONILLS	322.50	310	310
ETI.HOTEL	55	52.50	50	KSYNTH	85	81	82.75	TATA.PMR	335	325	335
ESKAYEF	145	142.50	145	L.AND.T	128	126	124	TATACHEM	102	102	101
ESSAR	23.50	23.50	23	MAHINDRA	99	96	98	TELCO	710	707.50	712.25
GAR. POLY	96.25	96.25	95.75	MASTERSH	17	16.25	16.50	TISCO	972.50	967.50	962.50
GE.SRTP	39.50	39.25	39.50	MATHER.PL	60	75	58.50	VOLTAS	430	430	440

## FRANKFURT

STOCK	LAST	PR-CLOSE	STOCK	LAST	PR-CLSE	NITSUB CP	1220	1200
AEG	191.5	189.2	AIJINMOTO	2580	2550	NITSUB EST	2580	2550
ALLIANZ VR	1738.0	1732.0	AKAI ELEC	605	585	NITSUB INV	1060	1020
BADENMERK	185.0	181.0	AKOI	1000	1010	NITSU CO	905	907
BASF	285.8	285.0	ASAHI GLS	1880	1860	NITSUKOSHI	1960	1940
BAYER	304.3	301.2	ASAHI OPT	655	669	NITSU EL	960	970
BAYER HYP	382.0	384.0	BANK TOKYO	1520	1540	NICHICON	1120	1100
BAYER VER	377.0	377.0	BRIDGESTONE	1230	1230	NIKKO SEC	1610	1640
BASF	324.5	323.5	CANON	1280	1270	NIPKOW	192	192
BHF	413.5	413.0	CASIO COMP	1240	1200	NIPKOW	1800	1800
BIGU	549.5	546.5	CHUGAI PHM	1440	1400	NIPKOKAN	864	823
COMMERZBK	251.2	249.5	CITIZEN W	782	780	NIPOL	1380	1350
CONTI.GM	266.9	268.0	D-ICHI KAN	3000	3100	NIP STEEL	875	850
DAINER BEN	772.0	758.5	DAI NIP IK	827	839	NIP YUSEN	850	836
DEUTSC BANK	545.5	540.5	DAI NIP PT	2650	2640	NIS MOTOR	1290	1310
DIV	289.0	290.0	DAI NIP PT	910	910	NOMURA SEC	3410	3460
DRESDNER B	302.0	302.0	DAI NIP TO	735	742	OBIA CO	810	805
DT.BASCODE	155.0	154.0	DAIGAZ	435	435	OCTOPUS	237.50	230.00
F&Z INDEX	537.25	536.76	DAIMA II	1960	1960	PENTA OCN	1080	1090
FELDMEHLER	281.8	280.1	DAIMA SEC	2220	2220	PIONEER	2920	2900
GOLDSCHMID	347.0	340.5	EBRA MFG	990	991	RENOAM	861	861
HARPERM	401.0	398.0	EISAI	1820	1820	RICON	1090	1040
HOECHST AG	303.5	301.8	FUJITSU	1470	1460	SANKYO	1790	1730
HOECHST	169.9	167.5	FUJI BANK	3060	3080	SANYO ELEC	681	687
HORTEN	207.0	207.0	FUJI PHOTO	3060	3050	SEIYU ST	1950	1980
HUSSEL.NLD	473.0	471.5	FUJISAWA	1600	1570	SEKISUI PB	1780	1790
KALI.SALZ	152.0	151.5	FUJITA CP	800	810	SHARP	985	1010
KARSTADT	451.5	452.5	FUJITSU	1500	1500	SHISEIDO	1470	1450
KAUFHOF	414.5	413.0	HONDA MOT	1970	1990	SONY	5990	5990
KLOECK H	139.5	138.5	ISETAN	2000	1980	SUMITOMO	1160	1180
KLOECK V	102.0	101.5	ITO YOKADO	3950	3950	TAISEI	1170	1160
LINDES	713.0	710.0	JAP SYN RU	991	999	TAISEI MNR	1290	1290
LUFTHANSA	154.0	154.0	JAPAN AIR	12800	12800	TAKEKI CR	2310	2330
MAN	208.5	207.0	JAPAN MET	720	702	TEIJIN	772	785
NAMENSHAM	189.0	187.9	KAIJIMA	1710	1730	TKD NEW IX	155.62	156.44
MERCEDES	635.0	626.0	KANSAI EL	3700	3750	TKD NMR	2130	2130
METALLGES	341.0	342.0	KAO SOAP	1600	1570	TOKYO ELEC	1000	980
MJDORF PF	417.2	413.0	KAWASAKI S	1090	1050	TOKYO PMR	6250	6300
NORK HYD	27.40	27.00	KIRIN BREW	1710	1720	TORAY IND	855	875
PHILIP KOM	620.0	620.0	KOMATSU	868	872	TOSHIBA EL	1010	1010
PORSCHE	580.0	580.0	KUBOTA LTD	895	890</			

## UK economy is robust

## Sterling weakens and dollar steady

LONDON, Nov 1. (Reuters): The pound sterling dipped in Europe today after a statement by Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson did something to cool speculation about higher British interest rates but it recovered to end little changed.

The dollar's downward trend was kept in check by a threat of central bank intervention although dealers said sentiment remained "bearish" towards it because of concern about the US trade deficit and nervousness ahead of the November 8 presidential election.

## Weakened

The pound initially weakened after Lawson failed to reiterate a need for high interest rates, disappointing a market that was holding sterling in anticipation that British rates might rise.

It picked up towards the close as traders took profits and

squared positions and ended at \$1.7645 compared with Monday's close of 1.7670.

Lawson predicted in his autumn statement that inflation would top six per cent towards the end of 1989 but would fall to five per cent by the fourth quarter of 1989.

"The overall message was that the economy is robust and there was nothing in his data to suggest any sort of crash landing at all," said Kevin Gardner of Warburg Securities.

## Dealers

The dollar ended little changed in Europe as dealers were nervous of selling it aggressively because of possible central bank intervention.

The Bank of Japan bought dollars today and the US Federal Reserve checked dollar/yen rates. The Bank of Canada bought Canadian dollars to try and stop the currency's slide.

The dollar closed in London at 1.7875 West German marks after Monday's closing 1.7835.

Wall Street stocks showed little overall change in light trading. The Dow Jones industrial average was down one point at 2,147 by midday.

Shares closed firmer in Frankfurt. Earlier, Tokyo stocks closed higher for the seventh day running.

Gold prices ended in London at 411.25 an ounce, unchanged from Monday's close.

In London shares held their former tone and the market showed little immediate reaction to Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson's autumn statement on the economy this afternoon.

Lawson said inflation would top six per cent toward the end of this year but fall to five per cent by the fourth quarter of 1989, almost exactly what the market

had been expecting.

However, one dealer said, "I thought the delivery upbeat enough to encourage the market." The FTSE 100 index was 5.7 points up at 1,858.1 by 1647 GMT, after touching a high of 1,860.

Lawson said growth was likely to be 4.1/2 per cent for 1989 as a whole, slowing to a more sustainable level of three per cent next year. He expected a current account deficit of £1.3 billion for this year but said this would fall to £1 billion in 1990.

Some economists said Lawson's inflation forecasts were rather optimistic.

And one analyst noted, "Lawson said he expected inflation to keep rising in the first half of 1989, which means he doesn't see an early slowdown in demand."

Towards the close of European trade, North Sea Brent blend, the most widely traded international crude, had eased 35 cents to \$12.25 a barrel.

Oil prices dropped around 30 cents a barrel on world spot markets today because of concern about OPEC overproduction, traders said.

The latest fall started in the United States late on Monday when a sharp drop on the gasoline futures markets on the New York Mercantile Exchange dragged crude prices down too.

Trading activity was also quiet because of the All Saints Day holiday in several European countries.

Also, with American Institute of Petroleum (API) meetings coming up in New York next week, and OPEC meeting the following week, many traders seemed reluctant to take up fresh speculative positions.

Towards the close of European trade, North Sea Brent blend, the most widely traded international crude, had eased 35 cents to \$12.25 a barrel.

## IBJI keen to boost Mideast lending

(Continued from Page 11)

Jones said that throughout the world, portfolio managers — governments, institutions and individuals — are assuming an ever-increasing global perspective when structuring portfolios.

The US money and capital markets play a crucial role in these investment flows and the US government securities market is their cornerstone.

Jones has been working with Lanston for the last 16 years. On Dec 29, 1986 the company was acquired by IBJI through its New York subsidiary known as IBJ Schroder.

The delegation yesterday organised a press luncheon at the Kuwait Hilton and Jones presented a paper on the US bond market outlook.

## Player

In 1987, IBJI was ranked 10th in the table of lead managers of all Eurobond issues acting as lead manager for Eurobond issues in that year. This year Osawa said it continued as a major player, taking a lead managing role in 34 issues including World Bank, EEC, Austria and British Telecom.

Jones said the outlook for the US economic expansion will continue to show solid momentum through the rest of this year and perhaps through the first half of 1989 as well.

Although US real GNP growth temporarily moderated to a less-than-expected 2.2 per cent pace in the third quarter, and could slow even further in the fourth quarter of this year, it is likely that there will be a return to a solid underlying growth rate in the first and second quarters of 1989, he said.

The main sources of future economic strength are likely to be strong increases in business spending on new plants and equipment in view of high capacity utilisation rates and brisk profits growth.

There may also be a rebound in housing activity in view of prospects for a near-term stable interest rate environment, he said.

The US trade deficit is unlikely to decline as much in coming months as it did in recent months, given a slowing in export growth and still advancing imports, he said.

However, perhaps partly

reflecting the tightening in labour market supplies, the latest quarterly figures on civilian worker compensation (wages and benefits) showed an acceleration to 4.7 per cent in the third quarter (year-over-year) compared with a much slower 3.4 per cent increase registered around this same time last year.

The latest US real GNP growth of 2.2 per cent in the third quarter of this year represented a slowing of the 3.0 per cent second quarter pace.

Looking ahead, fourth quarter real GNP growth could slow further to 1.5 per cent to 2.0 per cent, Jones said.

However, these figures are depressed by cutbacks in agricultural grain and livestock output owing to severe drought conditions.

The US Commerce Department estimates that the drought impact depressed second quarter real GNP growth by 0.9 per cent, the third quarter by 0.6 per cent, and the fourth quarter by a hefty 1.25 per cent.

## Prospects

Perhaps the brightest prospects for near-term economic growth are in the US industrial sector, Jones said. A close examination of the latest cyclical important durable goods' inventory data indicate that the manufacturing sector will likely help maintain economic growth.

Discussing the Federal Reserve policy, Jones said that with a recent slowing in real GNP growth, and with no imminent threat of a sharp acceleration in inflationary pressures, the monetary authorities certainly have no reason to tighten reserve pressures further.

Also giving the Fed good reason not to tighten further is the moderation in growth in the broader M-2 and M-3 monetary aggregates which have recently eased below the mid-point of the Fed's 4-8 per cent target range for this year.

However, the chances of an easing in Fed policy with resulting downward pressure or money market rates would seem even more remote since such a move could trigger a free fall in the US dollar in the foreign exchange markets, he said.

## Markets seen unconvinced

## Central banks warn on dollar

and even spark a dollar recovery.

Jim O'Neill, economist at Swiss Bank Corp Investment Banking Ltd, said Bush's economic team could, "despite the pre-election rhetoric," devise a budget cutting package that would tend to support the dollar. Some economists believe major central banks, which have staged a sharp decline in the dollar from record highs in 1985 to correct the US trade deficit, would not stand in the way of a further easing against the West German mark and Japanese yen after the Nov 8 poll.

But they say central banks from the Group of Seven nations — the United States, Japan, Britain, Canada, France, Italy and West Germany — would not want to see the dollar below 125 yen or 1.75 marks in the short term for fear of upsetting relatively calm markets in the immediate run-up to the election.

Just what is the optimum dollar level remains highly disputed, but Jeremy Hale, senior international economist at Goldman Sachs International Ltd in London, said cutting the US budget deficit would slow domestic demand which has been sucking in imports and lessening the need for currency adjustment.

"The dollar will probably follow an irregular path downwards after the election, but it will not collapse," he said. One minority school of thought in the City of London argues that a victory by Vice-President George Bush, widely anticipated in financial markets, might spell quicker action on the budget front than first thought

## Italian firms to conduct seminar on oil

THREE Italian companies will conduct a seminar on maintenance of oil, desalination and power plants at 9.30 am, Nov 27 at the grand ballroom of the Kuwait Meridian Hotel.

The seminar is being organised by the Italian Embassy and the Italian Trade Commission.

Ansaldo SPA will discuss technical assistance products for power plant maintenance.

Italimpianti PA will discuss general maintenance and training concepts for desalination plants. Nuovo Pignone will discuss natural gas rejection stations and their main components and problems.

Local companies interested in attending the seminar should contact the Italian Trade Commission at 2447500 or 2447582.

## Al Rasheed launches activities

BAGHDAD, Nov 1. (Reuters): A second Iraqi commercial bank, Al Rasheed, began operations in Baghdad today with a nominal capital of 100 million dinars (\$20 million).

A senior officer at the bank's capital headquarters said it would conduct all types of commercial banking services in other domestic and foreign branches starting next January.

Creation of the bank will break the monopoly on Iraqi commercial banking by the Rasheed Bank since the nationalisation of banks in 1964.

## Campaign

Western banking sources said the new bank was part of a campaign which President Saddam Hussein started last year to improve the economic efficiency of state-run enterprises.

The ruling Revolutionary Command Council decreed last April that Al Rasheed Bank will have branches all over the country and representatives abroad to carry out commercial transactions.

The government treasury will pay its capital.

## WORLD STOCK ROUNDUP

SYDNEY, Nov 1. (Reuters): Australian stocks closed easier after a slow day, highlighted only by a halt in trading for the Melbourne Cup horse race won by Empire Rose. The All Ordinaries index eased 2.3 to 1,584.6.

TOKYO: Prices drifted through the day in moderate trading, but ended just above the resistance line of 38,000 and were higher for the seventh straight day. The Nikkei index rose 31.13 to 28,013.6.

HONG KONG: Prices closed lower in sluggish trading. The Hang Seng index fell 11.98 to 2,615.43.

SINGAPORE: Prices closed slightly easier across the board on lack of institutional interest in light profit-taking in listless trading. The Straits Times industrial index eased 6.60 to 1,032.67.

BOMBAY: Share prices recovered sharply on fresh buying by state-owned financial institutions after a week-long slide. Tata Steel rallied 22.5 rupees to 985.

LONDON: Equities showed a firm bias at mid-session with some speculative issues moving ahead quite strongly ahead of Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson's economic statement. By 1200 GMT, the FTSE index had gained 6.2 points to 1,858.6.

ZURICH: Swiss shares closed steady in moderate trading, lifted slightly by yesterday's fairly steady Wall Street close and a stronger dollar. The Swiss index rose 4.1 points to 940.5.

## Reagan expands copyright protection for US works overseas



President Reagan holds a bill he signed on Monday into legislation to strengthen copyright protection at home and abroad for US film-makers, publishers, recording artists and computer firms. (Reuters wirephoto)

1986, and US computer and software industries lost another \$4 billion, Reagan said.

"That's why adherence to the Berne convention has been such an important goal of the administration, and why this occasion

marks a watershed for us," he said.

"The billions of dollars we lose each year because of international software piracy is unconscionable," said Lawrence Welke, president of Indiana

Growth

Indeed, overall economic growth as measured by the Gross National Product dropped to an annual rate of 2.2 per cent from July through September, and many analysts believe that this modest pace will continue in the first six months of 1989, slowing down.

The Commerce Department's index of leading indicators rose 0.5 per cent in August and 1.5 per cent in June but fell 0.7 per cent in

July.

Economists believe this roller-coaster performance is a signal that the economy, which was expanding at a robust pace in the first six months of 1988, is slowing down.

**Slowdown**

Indeed, overall economic growth as measured by the Gross National Product dropped to an annual rate of 2.2 per cent from July through September, and many analysts believe that this modest pace will continue in the first six months of 1989, slowing down.

The index, by focusing on forward-pointing business statistics, is designed to foretell economic activity six to nine months into the future.

**Growth**

Many economists, who had at one time been fearful that the next president would face a recession in his first year in office, have revised that view and now believe the next downturn will not come until 1990.

But the leading index is signalling slower growth. For the last 12 months, it has risen just 0.7 per

cent, compared to an increase of 6.7 per cent in the previous 12-month period.

For October, the biggest factor holding the index back was a drop in plant and equipment orders, followed by a fall in building permits. Other factors depressing the index were a decline in raw materials prices and slower growth in the money supply. Falling prices are viewed negatively as a sign of lower demand.

In all, five of the available nine indicators made positive contributions. The biggest positive force came from an increase in the average workweek. Other positive factors were a fall in initial unemployment claims, a rise in stock prices, a slowdown in filling orders and a rise in orders for consumer goods.

The various changes left the index at 193.3 percent of its 1967 base of 100.

Michael Evans, head of a Washington forecasting firm, said he is predicting Gross National Product growth of just

2 per cent next year, reflecting a slowdown of the export boom which accounted for half of this year's growth.

The export boom is clearly gone, capital spending has tailed off and consumers haven't been too eager to spend either," said Evans. "That is basically the whole economy."

But Beryl Sprinkel, the president's chief economic adviser, said in a speech last week that there was no reason for a recession to occur anytime soon.

"Recessions don't just happen. They are caused by policy mistakes," he said.

If a recession does occur next year, many analysts are fearful that it will be triggered by the Federal Reserve pushing interest rates too high in an effort to dampen inflationary pressures.

Federal Reserve policymakers were meeting behind closed doors today, but analysts did not expect the session to result in any dramatic changes. However, they said the Federal Reserve is likely to begin pushing rates higher early next year as signs of inflation re-emerge.

## A local engineering office requires for immediate employment:

## 1. Senior Architect

- MA/M.Sc. in Architecture
- 12 years' experience in planning and design of multi-purpose complexes, public buildings and industrial plants.

## 2. Infrastructure and Road Design Engineer

- B.Sc. in Civil Engineering
- 5-7 years' experience in design of roads, storm water and sewage networks.

The applicant must have an excellent knowledge of English and be a member of Kuwait Society of Engineers. Send resume with complete personal data and one recent photograph before 15/11/1988 to:

Administrative Manager,  
P.O. Box 20036 Safat,  
13061 Safat, Kuwait.

## CONDOLENCES

We, the management & staff of

Toa Harbour Works Co. Ltd.,

extend our heartfelt condolences to the

bereaved family and friends of

## Rodrigues Stanny Loyolla

who expired on 31





## LOCAL GOLF

**Kim edges Davies for crown**

J.H. KIM edged handicap secretary Peter Davies to win the Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed Al Sabah golf trophy at the Hunting & Equestrian Club on Friday.

This annual stableford event was keenly contested by 14 competitors in sultry conditions with as many as twenty players carding more than 30 points.

J.H. Kim (22) and Peter Davis (10) both scored 41 points for the round, with the former having the winning edge of 2 to 19 on a count back on the last nine holes.

The second runner-up was C.K. Lim (24) with 40 points. Mrs Sigrid Sawires (22) was in fourth position with 39 points.

In side competition, newcomers Mrs Kaja Harde won the longest drive for ladies and muscle-man Adnan Assaf the longest drive for men for the third time in as many weeks.

**Securing**

In the nearest to the pin competition, R.K. Sethi was two feet away from the hole on the par 3 fifth, securing the winners trophy in this event.

The ladies were unable to reach the green on the par 3 thirteenth and no prize was given for this event. However, Eileen Waters was awarded a prize for the lowest score among the ladies when she carded 20 points for the round.

The trophies, which are annually donated by Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed Al Jaber Al Sabah, were presented to the winners by Mohammad Al Shafeen, general manager of the Hunting & Equestrian Club.

**Abdul-Jabbar to play final NBA season**

**NEW YORK**, Nov 1, (AP): Starting Friday at Dallas, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar of the Los Angeles Lakers will begin his 20th and final National Basketball Association season, and the Lakers will open their bid for a third straight title.

The only team to win at least three straight titles is the Boston Celtics. The Celtics actually exceeded that goal. In 1966, they won eight consecutive years.

"Last year spoke for itself," Lakers coach Pat Riley said. "I feel strongly about the Lakers this year, but there may be 10 teams with a chance to win it all. But the Lakers aren't tired of winning, and the winning will continue."

New teams in the NBA this year will be the Charlotte Hornets in North Carolina and the Miami Heat in Florida.

Also new to the NBA will be a third game official, a move designed to improve court coverage, especially away from the ball, where most on-court scuffles begin.

**Version**

New Golden State coach Don Nelson was impressed with the 1988-89 version of the Lakers in pre-season.

"Woolridge has added a new dimension to the Lakers," Nelson said after the Lakers whipped the Warriors on consecutive nights. "I want to warn the League how good the Lakers are."

Abdul-Jabbar, the all-time NBA leader in points, games, minutes, field goals made and attempted, and blocked shots, will be 42 by the time the regular season ends in April.

**Union upset KIFCO**

**UNION** scored an upset victory in the Rothmans Royals knockout cricket tournament on Friday when they beat star-studded KIFCO on a better run-rate.

In the other matches of the same tournament being organised by the Unity Cricketers in Ahmadi, Starlite crushed Sidiqie, Unity thrashed YMCA and Falcon outclassed Capri.

Union, batting first, put on 194 runs for the loss of five wickets in their 30 overs. Farah was the top scorer with 58, made with the help of two sixes.

**Suffered**

Shehzad hammered 48, Jamil 30, Shehzad Sr 21 and Abid 19.

KIFCO suffered an early setback when they lost Tariq, caught by Shehzad Jr off Shehzad Sr, for only four. Kafait then sent back Pervaiz and Arshad Shams to leave KIFCO tottering at 35 for three.

Jamil, Kafait and Shehzad Sr accounted for three middle-order batsmen and KIFCO were in trouble at 66 for six in 12 overs. Kafait and Arshad further reduced KIFCO to 84 for eight.

Rashid and Manzoor put on 85 runs for the ninth wicket by the end of the 26th over when the match was stopped. At the same stage Union had scored 174 to

**CYPRUS HOPE FOR CONVINCING VICTORY OVER NORWAY****Danes seek win in qualifier**

**COPENHAGEN**, Nov 1, (Reuter): Denmark's new-generation soccer team need to beat Bulgaria for the first time tomorrow if they are to keep alive their hopes of qualifying for the World Cup finals in Italy.

Danish trainer Sepp Piontek has been trying out new talent like strikers Lars Eslstrup and Flemming Poulsen in a bid to lift his side from the mediocrity into which they have slumped since they enlivened the last World Cup with their entertaining style.

**Serving**

The Danes are missing two key players for the European Group One match against the off-form Bulgarians in Copenhagen. Star midfielder Jan Molbi is serving a three-month jail sentence in England for reckless driving and defender Ivan Nielsen is injured.

But they still have valuable experience in the shape of midfield Michael Laudrup and key defender John Sivaback.

Both sides have had a bad start to the 1990 Cup campaign. The Danes drew 1-1 in Greece in their first match last month while Bulgaria were beaten 3-1 at home by Romania.



Sepp Piontek

Denmark have never beaten Bulgaria in their seven encounters since 1957. The two sides have drawn three times.

Bulgaria have the better World Cup record, having reached the finals five times. The Danes made their debut in Mexico two years ago.

But Bulgarian trainer Boris Angelov must do without three of his best players — defender

Georgi Dimitrov, midfielder Bozidar Iskrenov and star forward Nasko Sirakov — who are all injured.

Disappointed by his team's lacklustre, unimaginative performance against Romania, Angelov will be relying on key defenders Ilian Kirikov and Nikolai Iliev, last year's footballer of the year in Bulgaria, to rise to the occasion and set an example to their team-mates.

And in Limassol, Cyprus coach Panikos Iacovou is hoping his World Cup soccer team will beat Norway convincingly tomorrow to secure a rare taste of life at the top of their European Group Five qualifying

With the morale of his team running high following their 1-1 draw against France 10 days ago, Iacovou is planning to send out an attacking side against the Norwegians who have lost both their matches played to date. But he is wary of being overconfident.

He said: "Norway has a very good team. I saw them playing against France and I know it won't be easy. We play the same style of football and it won't be

easy either for them or for us."

A convincing victory for Cyprus would lift them to the top of the group above Scotland, France and Yugoslavia, the other three nations in the five-nation group from which two will qualify for the finals.

Norway, beaten 2-1 at home by current section leaders Scotland, and 1-0 away in France, cannot afford a third defeat if they are to keep alive their remote hopes of qualifying for Italy in 1990.

Cyprus will be strengthened by the return after injury of striker George Savvides of Aek Athens. Savvides missed the clash with France.

**Include**

Norway coach Ingvar Stadhjem said his selection plans had been hit by injury but he will include six players with regular experience of playing in major European club soccer.

"I wanted to bring more, but they are injured," he said. "That's why I will have to wait till the last minute to announce the team. The match will not be easy so I have to be very careful and pick the best possible 11."

**Waitz goes for 9th New York marathon title**

**NEW YORK**, Nov 1, (Reuter): The finish line is not yet in sight for Norway's Grete Waitz.

"I have no plans to put my racing shoes on my shelf and have them stay there," Waitz, 35, said yesterday at a news conference to promote this Sunday's New York City marathon.

Waitz, winner of the race a record eight times, will again be one of the favourites when she steps to the starting line for the 42-km test through the five boroughs of the city.

The women's competition should be the toughest in years with 1984 US Olympic gold medalist Joan Benoit Samuelson, defending champion Priscilla Welch of Britain and promising Tatjana Polovinskaya of the Soviet Union on hand.

**Quality**

But a good race has always kept Waitz on the run.

"I'm happy with the quality of the race. This will be different from other New York marathons as there will be a bunch together at the 20-22 mile (32-35 km) mark," Waitz said.

Rick Tocchet of the Philadelphia Flyers, Dave Manson of the Chicago Black Hawks and Mark Messier of the Edmonton Oilers all found to have intentionally tried to injure opponents.

Tocchet and Manson were suspended for 10 games and Messier for six.

**NHL violence**

**NEW YORK**, Nov 1, (Reuter): The National Hockey League (NHL) suspended three players yesterday in a crackdown on violence in the game.

Rick Tocchet of the Philadelphia Flyers, Dave Manson of the Chicago Black Hawks and Mark Messier of the Edmonton Oilers all found to have intentionally tried to injure opponents.

Tocchet and Manson were suspended for 10 games and Messier for six.

promoter Don King spoke only briefly with reporters. He said that he couldn't talk about his bitter breakup with actress Robin Givens "because it causes me too much pain."

"Why should I worry? I'm doing fine. Ali is the greatest, but I'm the best," he said.

The room was crowded with former world champions including Jose "Pipino" Cuevas, Miguel Canto and Raul Macias.

King, who suffers from Parkinson's syndrome, received the longest ovation when he slowly rose to receive his plate from Sulaiman, but he did not speak.

Tyson, accompanied by

promoter Don King, spoke only briefly with reporters. He said that he couldn't talk about his bitter breakup with actress Robin Givens "because it causes me too much pain."

"Why should I worry? I'm doing fine. Ali is the greatest, but I'm the best," he said.

The room was crowded with former world champions including Jose "Pipino" Cuevas, Miguel Canto and Raul Macias.

King, who suffers from Parkinson's syndrome, received the longest ovation when he slowly rose to receive his plate from Sulaiman, but he did not speak.

Tyson, accompanied by

promoter Don King spoke only briefly with reporters. He said that he couldn't talk about his bitter breakup with actress Robin Givens "because it causes me too much pain."

"Why should I worry? I'm doing fine. Ali is the greatest, but I'm the best," he said.

The room was crowded with former world champions including Jose "Pipino" Cuevas, Miguel Canto and Raul Macias.

King, who suffers from Parkinson's syndrome, received the longest ovation when he slowly rose to receive his plate from Sulaiman, but he did not speak.

Tyson, accompanied by

**Mets score easy victory over Astros**

**LITTLE** League baseball is in full swing in Kuwait. The second week of games has proved that this season will be full of tough competition for all involved.

The Mets and the Astros led off Friday's games. Homerun batters for the Mets were Bibi and Ahmed. Majid was credited with an RBI along with Haitham and Shadi. Gibran ended the day with 2 RBI's. The Astros were in there fighting but time ran out with the final score Mets 10

Astro 8.

The Royals and the Cardinals had a very competitive game.

The first inning ended in a 1-1 tie but the Cardinals pulled into a 2-run lead at the end of the second inning. Peter Punj had an in the park homerun for the Cardinals, bringing in 2 runners. Rusty hit a double and earned himself 2 RBI's. The good pitching by both teams kept the scores close throughout the game.

**Batted**

The Royals never let up. Shemlan Khajha hit three doubles with a total of 3 RBI's. Jason Zeplin not only pitched a fine game but batted well bringing in 2 RBI's.

The final score: Royals 12 Cardinals 12.

The Cubs looked strong for the second game of the season.

The Cubs came out to do some hitting and winning. Jordan had the only homerun for the Cubs but it looked like everyone was hitting too. The Indians gave the Cubs a strong showing. Bader started them off with a homerun in the first inning, but it wasn't enough. The Cubs took it 26-11.

Another close game came in the afternoon when the Mariners and Blue Jays faced each other.

Both teams did a lot of hitting but when the dust settled the Marin-



Teams march on to the field during the opening ceremony.



The US Ambassador, Nathaniel Howell, pitches the first ball.

Nasrallah Construction Company, Greenline Company, Compuhink, Santa Fe International, AJ Julaibah Trading Company, Gulf Inspection Company International, Bader Ahmed Kharafi Establishment, Ali Essa Al Yousef (National) and Bader Al Mullah.

Results of last week's games:

	10	Astros	0
Mets	12	Cardinals	12
Royals	24	Indians	11
Cubs	10	Blue Jays	8
Mariners	6	White Sox	18
Red Sox			

The Little League started its season last week with the United States Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell pitching the first ball to one of the catchers.

Before the start of the games, the 14 participating teams were introduced to the spectators by Suliman Sakleh, the president of the Little League.

The teams in this tournament are being sponsored by the American Embassy, the American School of Kuwait,

Cuba

ers had it 10-8.

Results of second week's games:

	10	Astros	0
Mets	12	Cardinals	12
Royals	24	Indians	11
Cubs	10	Blue Jays	8
Mariners	6	White Sox	18
Red Sox			

The Little League started its season last week with the United States Ambassador to Kuwait Nathaniel Howell pitching the first ball to one of the catchers.

Before the start of the games, the 14 participating teams were introduced to the spectators by Suliman Sakleh, the president of the Little League.

The teams in this tournament are being sponsored by the American Embassy, the

## SPORTS BRIEFS

**Peter Davenport**

MIDDLEBROUGH, England, Nov 1. (Reuters): Peter Davenport, who has failed to command a regular first team place with Manchester United this season, joined Middlesbrough for £700,000 (\$1.23 million) today.

**Ben Johnson**

TORONTO, Nov 1. (Reuters): Ben Johnson, the athlete whose disgrace focused world attention on drugs in sport, has lost commercial endorsements, been charged with assault and faces a Canadian inquiry into his disqualification from the Olympics.

**Stockholm Open**

STOCKHOLM, Nov 1. (Reuters): American Derrick Rostagno became the first seed to lose in the \$642,500 Stockholm Open Grand Prix tennis tournament when he was beaten 6-4 6-4 by West Germany's Torsten Meinecke yesterday.

**Steffi Graf**

BONN, Nov 1. (Reuters): West Germany's all-conquering Steffi Graf has decided to miss December's Federation Cup tennis event in Australia to take a rest from the sport after a packed year in which she clinched the Grand Slam and the Olympic title.

**Cup qualifier**

BUCHAREST, Nov 1. (Reuters): Romania, encouraged by their impressive 3-1 win over Bulgaria last month, will be hoping to move into a strong position at the top of their World Cup qualifying group with a decisive victory over Greece tomorrow.

**Austrian midfielder**

VIENNA, Nov 1. (Reuters): Austria are likely to turn to their former star midfielder Herbert Prohaska for inspiration tomorrow when they meet Turkey in World Cup European Group Three qualifying tie.

**Romanian fencer**

ANKARA, Nov 1. (Reuters): The trainer of the Romanian women's fencing team, in Ankara for Balkan Championship Games, has asked for asylum in Turkey, the Foreign Ministry said today.

**Indian Skimmer**

NEWMARKET, England, Nov 1. (Reuters): Trainer Henry Cecil has scrapped plans to administer the pain-killing drug bute to his filly Indian Skimmer for Saturday's Breeders' Cup turf horse race in Kentucky following criticism from Britain's Jockey Club.

**BRIDGE**

RESULTS of the Dunhill Bridge Tournament (5th week) held at the Hilton Hotel on Monday:

- 1. Mukerjee & Dresler
- 2. Suresh & Gajjar
- 3. Sultan Ali & Dusaj
- E/W:
- 1. Desmund & Aurora
- 2. Dhamra & Monteiro
- 3. Krishnaswamy & Vasudevan

**Hadlee restricts West Zone**

NEW DELHI, Nov 1. (Reuters): Richard Hadlee shrugged off the irritation of a long delay to the start of New Zealand's opening tour match to shatter West Zone's top order batting today.

After the late arrival of the New Zealand kit, Hadlee was quickly among the wicket-keepers, dismissing both openers with only nine on the board.

**Superb**

He rapidly added two more to reduce West Zone to 23 for four before the home team staged a superb recovery with an unbroken fifth-wicket century partnership between Shrikant Kalyani and Tushar Arothe.

They took West Zone to 149 for four at the close when Kalyani was unbeaten on 81 and Arothe 47.

The start of the three-day match was delayed when the New Zealand kit failed to arrive

# Bin Sulayem opts out of Oman Rally

MUSCAT: Speculation over Mohammed Bin Sulayem's entry in the Oman International Rally ended early yesterday morning when the Middle East champion withdrew "for personal reasons" and returned to his home in Dubai.

The Toyota star had stated his intention to compete when he arrived here on Monday evening after a plaster cast after a neck injury suffered in a road accident in Dubai.

Sulayem, who needed to win points in Oman to maintain a strong challenge to Rothmans driver Saeed Al Hajri, the championship leader, had brought

with him a certificate of fitness

from the Munich clinic where he received treatment. But he ruled himself out of contention before an examination by rally doctor Wahid Karus.

Terry Plant, manager of the Emirates-supported Toyota team Middle East, said: "Mohammed will be replaced by Ahmed Bin Khalifa who will drive the second Toyota Celica turbo."

Leading the cars away from the ramp at Muscat Corniche this afternoon will be former world champion Bjorn Waldegard in the No. 1 Toyota Celica turbo, accompanied by

co-driver Fred Gallagher of Northern Ireland.

Second car on the road is the Rothmans Audi Quattro of Al Hajri who yesterday expressed his disappointment at Sulayem's withdrawal. "Certainly, it helps me in the championship, but it really is a great pity that he's not driving. The rally just won't be the same without him.

Obviously, we are big rivals, but the real challenge in the Middle East series is the one between the two of us."

Even so, Al Hajri will have to work cut out to beat Waldegard, winner of the recent European Championship Rothmans

Cyprus Rally in the Group A Toyota Celica GT, the car that is likely to take over from the present Group B vehicle in this region next year.

"Bjorn is one of the greatest drivers in the world and it's a privilege to compete against him," he added.

The respect seems mutual. The big Swede commented: "Saeed is a fantastic driver. I know him personally and he's a good friend."

Waldegard said he was very pleased with practice and that the terrain was perfect. "It is a great place for an international rally and I'm really looking forward to it."

With 32 cars taking part—the longest entry list for six years—the Oman International is likely to be one of the most fiercely contested events in this year's Middle East calendar—at all levels of competition.

**Experience**

The inclusion of Ahmed Bin Khalifa, one of the hottest properties in regional motor sport, adds a new dimension.

This is the man who finished second to Al Hajri on his very first championship outing in Qatar last year, driving the same Toyota Celica.

"It's been great experience for me just practising here," he said.

"I'd like to win, of course, but I'm very pleased simply to be taking part."

Other than Al Hajri, the most consistent driver in the history of the Oman rally is local hero Tony Georgiou who has rarely been out of the first three in his faithful old Nissan 240RS.

"The car is too slow to compete against the top entries," he said. "But I'll just apply the usual tactics of keeping close to the front-runners and wait for one of them to make a mistake."

Georgiou's Nissan is one of five in the top eight seeded entries, all with Oman-based drivers at the wheel.

## Syrian press angers KFA

KUWAIT, Nov 1. (KUNA): The Kuwait Football Association (KFA) today expressed anger over the campaign launched against Kuwaiti referee Ghazi Al Ghandi by the Syrian press and head of the referees committee at the Asian Football Association, Farouk Boudou, following Syria's loss to Iraq in the finals of the Asian Youth Championship.

Iraq won 7-6 after a penalty shootout.

The KFA statement expressed dismay over the verbal attack on Al Ghandi, saying that the referees committee had considered the Kuwaiti referee as one of the best.

## Woodforde overcomes Novacek

ANTWERP, Belgium, Nov 1. (Reuters): Australian Mark Woodforde, who has his sights on a quarterfinal clash with John McEnroe, cleared his first hurdle in the \$1 million European Community Tennis Championship yesterday.

Woodforde, a wild card entry, beat Czechoslovak Karel Novacek 6-2 7-6, while Dutchman Michiel Schapers was another unseeded player who came through the first round by ousting stylish Indian Ramesh Krishnan 7-5 6-3.

**Prospect**

Huge prize money—a first-round victory is worth \$17,000—and the prospect of winning a million-dollar gold and diamond racket are the attractions of this annual event which has McEnroe and Ivan Lendl leading the chase for the top prizes this year.

In other first-round matches, Austrian Horst Skoff beat Yahiya Douniba of Senegal 6-2 6-2, while Swiss Claudio Mezadri demolished leaden-footed Frenchman Jerome Potier called in when Jimmy Connors withdrew through illness 6-1.

## Potter edges past McGrath

WORCESTER, Mass., Nov 1. (Reuters): American Barbara Potter overcame a stiff challenge from compatriot Meredith McGrath yesterday to become the first of seven top-10 players entered to reach the second round of the \$300,000 New England women's tennis championships.

The seventh-seeded Potter beat McGrath 7-6(7-4) 6-7(7-9) 6-2 to advance. Top seed Martina Navratilova and second-seed Chris Evert were to play their first-round matches today or tomorrow.

Stephanie Rehe, who is battling for a spot in the New York championships, beat fellow-American Molly van Nostrand 7-5 6-1.

## BHASIN CO.

presents

### Musical Extravaganza at

Cinema Al-Andalus, Kuwait on

Thursday 3rd November at 7 pm

Friday 4th November at 6 pm

## ★ SALIMA AGHA: THE MELODY QUEEN OF INDIA - PAKISTAN



**SURESH WADKAR**  
The Singing Sensation of the Silver Screen Today

★ See Rajiv Kapoor and Poonam Dhillon re-enact songs from their hit films on stage.

★ Dilip Kumar's favourite mimic Shahid Ejaz entertains with surprise items.

★ Singer Dhiren Vyas presents Mukesh melodies

**TICKETS:** BALCONY KD 5 | BALCONY FRONT 6 | BALCONY BOX 10 SEATS 60 | GROUND FLOOR 10, 15, 20

**AVAILABLE AT:**

KUWAIT: Zahem Video: 2464838

Raja Stores: 2421970

Taufique Video: 2468717

Khaleej Video (Murrab): 2401890

FARWANIYA: Nassma Video: 4742706

FAHANEEL: Gulf Video Film: 3917577

Salt Al Amer 4733437

**COMPLIMENTS FROM:**

SHEZA Trading Co. Ltd. IC Exchange

Salman Al-Sabah: Beauty & the melodious voice



Hurry to get the best seats since all the tickets are numbered!

Rajeev Kapoor

## Empire Rose triumphs

MELBOURNE, Nov 1. (Reuters): New Zealand mare Empire Rose made it third time lucky when she headed off a late challenge by Natski to storm to victory in the 1.65 million dollar (\$1.32 million) Melbourne Cup today.

The giant mare, second in last year's race, hit the front at the head of the final straight after tracking leader Authaia for much of the 3.2 km (two miles) race.

Urged on by an 80,000 crowd and young jockey Tony Allan, the people's favourite seemed to have no rivals among the 21 other runners as she stretched out for the line with 400 metres to

**Editorial Offices**  
Airport Road, Shurwaiha,  
P.O. Box 2270,  
13023 Safat, Kuwait.

**Telex:**  
22332 KT

**Telephone:**  
4813566 (main lines)  
48133267

**Published by:**  
Dar Al-Seyassah

**ARAB TIMES**

